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Profit Tax Will Strangle National Recovery

BUSINESSMEN ON FALLACY BEHIND NEW IMPOST

Political Reaction Of Levy

BOMBAY, Sunday.

THE trend of opinion in the commercial circles of Bombay regarding the Excess Profits Tax Bill which is to be sponsored in the Central Assembly is that the proposed tax is premature, unconscionably heavy and that it will hamper the progress of indigenous industries.

Interviewed by a representative of the "Bombay Chronicle," Sir Ardeshir R. Dalal said:—"India is just recovering from the long period of depression through which it has passed. It is principally the raw materials which have gone up and there is no reason to believe that the industry has made so much of excess profit as to require to be mulcted to the extent of 50 per cent. To take the instance of jute, it is the raw product which has gone up abnormally in price and the manufacturers have not made such an extraordinary profit.

"Similarly, in the case of cotton, while the price of cotton has gone up it cannot be said that the Textile Industry is in any way in an unusually flourishing condition. It is doubtful if the exigencies of the budget would require this impost."

"PREMATURE."

Sir Ardeshir further observed that in a number of cases where manufacturers had made contracts with Government, the prices had been strictly controlled. The possibility of a slump in the event of a sudden cessation of the war and the resulting losses had also to be borne in mind, as pointed out by the Finance Member.

"I think the Finance Member would have done well" observed Sir Ardeshir "to wait for another year before proposing the tax."

TOO HIGH PERCENTAGE.

"I have hitherto seen only a telegraphic summary of the Bill but from what I can make out, the standard periods adopted are likely to be very detrimental to most of the industries. I think that the year 1938-39 should have been included in the standards with which comparison of future profits has to be made. I also regard the percentage of 50 as too high, at least to begin with."

HARD ON INDIA.

Mr. A. D. Shroff in the course of an interview said that while the State was entitled to expect the trade and industry to make its own contribution towards the extraordinary expenditure during the period of war, Indian trade and industry had not yet experienced such abnormal conditions for profit-making that they could be called upon at such an early stage in the war to surrender as much as 50 per cent. of the profits over what are described as standard profits.

"I am afraid the incidence of taxation will fall with undue hardship particularly on industries like cotton and jute," observed Mr. Shroff. "The years selected for the determination of the standard profits have been a period of continued depression and but for the "accident" these industries were almost reaching a state of paralysis. In any case the proposed 50 per cent levy even in reference to a few industries which have largely benefited from the war will result in preventing such industries from consolidating their position.

HEAVY INDUSTRIES.

"Government appears to have forgotten that in the case of heavy industries like iron and steel, large capital expenditures have to be undertaken from year to year and the burden of Excess Profits Tax will deplete the cash resources of this industry to such an extent as to seriously curtail productive capital expenditure of this character.

Mr. Shroff further said:—"Government have not yet reconsidered their recent decision about the scales of depreciation allowed under the Income-Tax assessment on various items of fixed capital expenditure. This decision has, contrary to the undertaking given by Sir James Grigg, considerably increased the burden of direct taxation on industries.

HINDRANCE TO ENTERPRISE

"We in India to-day are in the unhappy position of either having some long-established industries greatly weakened through foreign competition, or having a few more industries which are only of recent birth and if we have to march forward industrially towards the objective of making the country less dependent on imported supplies, Government, by their continued demands in the way of additional taxation are certainly not establishing conditions conducive of fresh enterprise.

PLEA FOR REDUCED RATE

"I have a feeling that the proposed 50 per cent has been intentionally pitched too high and leaves room for negotiations between Government and the trade and industries of the country for a reasonable figure to be ultimately reached."

Mr. J. C. Setalvad said that the 50 per cent levy proposed would be strongly resented by the commercial community and Indian industrialists as it would be most detrimental to the already established indigenous industries. It would stop all expansion of the industries because the investor would not be prepared to put any more money in an industrial concern in which he was already a shareholder in view of the heavy impost proposed in the Bill.

WILL REACT ON POLITICAL SITUATION

Mr. Setalvad further said:—"I am certain there will be country-wide protest and agitation from the commercial and industrial community of India. It will also act as an impediment to the establishment of new industries which were expected to crop up in large numbers owing to favourable conditions created by the war situation. Government would be well advised in reconsidering the whole question and substantially decrease the proposed 50 per cent. Otherwise, I am afraid, the dissatisfaction in the industrial and commercial community of India will worsen the delicate political situation which exists in the country.

Nationalist Muslims marching to Azad Maidan to join in the Independence Day celebration on Friday.

AUSTRALIAN WHEAT OUTPUT

Record Harvest For 1939-40 Expected

MELBOURNE, Jan. 28.

Wheat harvest for 1939-40 will approximate 204 million bushels, a total which has only twice been previously exceeded, according to Mr. Clive MacPherson, Chairman of the Wheat Board. Mr. MacPherson added three and a half millions tons of cargo space was required to handle the exportable surplus.—Reuter.

BR. RECRUITING OFFICES IN FRANCE

PARIS, Jan. 28.

A British Embassy Communique has announced establishment of a British recruiting office in Paris. British subjects, resident in France, between the ages of 20 and 50, who desire to volunteer for service in the British Army are asked to communicate with the recruiting officer.

The announcement adds that recruiting centres will be established throughout France.—Reuter.

Nothing To Report For The Fifth Time

PARIS, Jan. 28.

A communique says that there is nothing to report. This is the fifth time running that the communique consisted to these three words.—Reuter.

NEW BENGAL CONGRESS TRIBUNAL

CALCUTTA, January 28.

Moulana Abul Kalam Azad, in a statement to the "United Press", announces that the Congress President has accepted the resignations of members of the Bengal Election Tribunal and formed a new tribunal with Mr. Atul Chandra Gupta (Chairman, Mr. Birendra Kumar Dey and Mr. Bhupendra Kishore Bose.

The following is the text of the statement:—"As Mr. Satish Chandra Das-Gupta, Chairman of the Bengal Congress Election Tribunal, repeatedly invited the attention of the Congress President, it had become rather difficult for him to carry on the tribunal work and devote his whole time owing to lack of time. The Congress President has, therefore, accepted his resignation and those of his colleagues and formed a tribunal with the following gentlemen. (Names given above).—United Press.

Fuehrer Their 'God-Send!'

Nazi Leader's Reply To British Leaflets

LONDON, Jan. 29.

A Nazi reply to Mr. Churchill is made by Gauleiter Buerckel at a Nazi Party mass meeting in Vienna.

After a reference to the leaflets recently dropped in Vienna Buerckel said that 22 years ago, Austria's liberation from Habsburgs was one of the Allies' war aims. To-day they fight for their restoration. Mr. Churchill declared Kaiser was preferable to Hitler.

"We may now expect British leaflets saying "We are bringing back the Kaiser." Our Fuehrer has been sent to us by Lord Himself and we are not irreligious enough to believe that the Creator would destroy his own work."—Reuter.

SERIOUS RIOT IN RANGOON

Military Called Out

RANGOON, Jan. 27.

The "Thai Poosam" festival celebrated by Chettiars was marred to-day by a serious communal riot between Hindus and Muslims in the afternoon.

Details show that while the chariot was passing by a mosque, bottles were thrown at the crowd and there was a regular stampede. The clash continued resulting in one Muslim and one Hindu being killed and 45 Hindus and 37 Muslims being injured. Assaults continued till 9 p.m.

The military was called out and the situation was brought under control. Military pickets are posted at different places and the Civil Police are patrolling the area.—United Press.

PEACE PACT IN RANGOON?

RANGOON, Jan. 28.

There was a dramatic turn in the Hindu-Muslim tension when after a meeting in the House of Mr. R. H. Hutchins, Government of India's Agent, a manifesto headed by the Mayor of Rangoon, Mr Mohammad Auzam, and supported by fourteen other prominent Hindu and Muslim leaders, was signed at 6-30 this evening in the presence of the Commissioner of Police.

The Manifesto enjoined: "All men of goodwill should go about their business with confidence and use their influence to assist the authorities.

It added: "We believe that continuance of discord is not only harmful to the interests of both communities but is contrary to the interests of Indians in Burma as a whole."—A. P.

PROBLEM OF REFUGEES

Lithuania Appeals To Other Countries

KAUNAS, January 28.

Lithuania is trying to persuade a number of countries to receive some of the Polish refugees she is harbouring. Negotiations are in progress with Germany for voluntary return of some of them to their homes. Russia has agreed to accept a thousand, of whom seven hundred have already left Lithuania. The United States has been asked to take 10,000 and the Scandinavian countries a thousand each, but hitherto without result.

The refugees are constituting a serious financial problem to Lithuania hence every effort is being made to open the way for their voluntary departure. In addition to thousands of civilian refugees it is stated that Lithuania has 12,000 interned Polish soldiers.—Reuter.

GERMAN REFUGEES IN PALESTINE

HAIFA, Jan. 27.

Seven hundred and twenty-five refugees mostly from Germany have landed illegally in Palestine from a Greek steamer in the past two days.

It is believed that authorities will allow them to remain. They are being detained in a camp at Athlith, south Haifa.

WAITING FOR DEPORTATION?

Reuter is authoritatively informed in London that the refugees were only being allowed temporary permission to remain in Palestine.

They are now in camps with a view to ultimately being deported—Reuter.

Instructions To Reich Ministers

OUT TO SMASH ANGLO-TURKISH ALLIANCE

Press Fires First Shots In Diplomatic Offensive

AMSTERDAM, January 27.

A high-powered "Diplomatic counter-offensive" is likely to be launched by Herr Hitler in the Balkans during the next week, according to neutral sources in Berlin.

Full instructions are reported to have been given to German Ministers in Belgrade, Sofia, Athens and Bucharest when they were summoned to a special meeting at Berlin this week.

FOURFOLD AIM

It is said that Herr Hitler has decided to throw all his influence into the scale at the coming conference of the Balkan 'entente' with the fourfold aim of firstly, to force Turkey to abandon her friendship with Britain, secondly, to counter British influence in the Balkans generally, thirdly, ensure that the Balkans remain individually neutral and maintain trade relations with Germany, and fourthly, get Bulgaria into the Balkan 'entente' as a safe pro-German element.

First Shots Fired

The first shots of the Nazi diplomatic offensive in the Balkans have already been fired by the German press. Leading articles and dispatches from Balkan correspondents are hammering away at a propaganda angle.—Reuter.

NAZI EYES ON RUMANIAN OIL

Allied Guarantees Handicap Hitler's Ambitions

LONDON, Jan. 28.

"With Germany dunning her for oil, Russia making threats as well, Bulgaria wanting South Debrudjia, Hungary claiming Transylvania, and Italy looking for prestige, the lot of Rumania's statesmen must be at present difficult as of any in Europe" writes the "Sunday Times" in an article dealing with the recent Rumanian Oil measures.

The article points out that the crux of the oil situation is whether Rumania can let Germany have even one and a half million tons agreed on without encroaching on the production of those companies operating with allied capital.

Germans may try and insist on it, but the Allies who have guaranteed Rumania's integrity and provided her with means of defence cannot be expected to allow allied capital to be used for the purpose of overcoming the very deficiency in German war supplies which offers more hope of an early victory than any other factor. Much depends upon whether Germany is prepared to push her threats to the point of warlike action in an effort to gain the whole of Rumanian oil output, but though that might help her conduct in the campaign, on the spot or further East, it will not help her much in the West owing to the prevailing transport difficulties. Peacetime Germany used about eight million tons of oil annually. If she gets what she expects from Rumania and provided her home-produced oil is upto schedule, she can count on about half that amount this year.

Strategists calculate that the warmachine of a modern Power at its full blast requires double or treble its peacetime requirements. While it will be a mistake to underestimate Germany's capacity for a single attack, there is a potent reason why she should hesitate to embark on a course which, if it failed, might exhaust her available stocks of oil and leave her whole warmachine immobilised and helpless.—Reuter.

RUMANIAN OIL CONTRACTS

ROME, Jan. 27

According to a Bucharest report, the British Minister saw the Minister for National Economy who, it is understood in diplomatic circles, has given an account of Rumania's contracts for supply of petroleum products to foreign countries and assured him that no country has asked for increased supplies in excess of the quotas established by treaties.—Reuter

Commissioner For Oil Industry

BUCHAREST, Jan. 27

M. Gheron Netta, General Secretary to the Ministry of National Economy, has been appointed General Commissioner for Oil Industry, in which capacity he will preside over the newly-established commission for Oil Industry.

M. Netta studied in Germany and is on a number of boards and several Governmental bodies.—Reuter.

GERMAN-BELGIAN FRONTIER REOPENED

EUPEN, Jan. 27

The German-Belgian frontier has been reopened at the frontier post of Hauset as from today.

Tramcars from Eupen to Koepfchen on the German frontier will run as soon as snowdrifts are removed and pedestrian traffic over the frontier will be re-established. Vehicles wishing to enter Germany, however, must use the Liege to Lacalamine Road.

The situation is now the same as before the recent period of tension.—Reuter.

NAZI DENIAL

Reported Measures Against Catholics

BERLIN, January 27

A statement issued by the official news agency denies reported measures against Roman Catholics in German-occupied Poland and particularly the report that the Archbishop's palace and has Cathedral of Posen were used as barracks.—Reuter.

Germans From "Asama Maru" Interned

HONGKONG, January 28.

The Germans taken off the "Asama Maru" have arrived here and have been interned.—Exchange

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No. 1201 of 1940.

THE WILSON PHILOLOGICAL LECTURESHIP.

THE SYNDICATE of the University of Bombay hereby invite applications for the appointment of the Wilson Philological Lecturer for the year 1940-41. The Lecturer will be required to deliver in Bombay during the cold weather term of that year, i.e., during the period between November, 1940, and March, 1941, a course of about six lectures on "SANSKRIT AND PRAKRIT LANGUAGES DERIVED FROM IT." The honorarium for the whole course is Rs. 750. No travelling or other allowances will be paid to the selected candidate for delivering the lectures in Bombay.

2. Applications giving full details regarding the academic attainments, teaching experience and other qualifications of the candidates, should be addressed to the Registrar, University of Bombay, and forwarded so as to reach him *not later than Thursday, the 29th February, 1940.*

By Order,
S. R. DONGERKERY.
University Registrar.
Bombay, 23rd January, 1940.
1854.

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY.

Stores Department.

1. TENDERS ARE INVITED for the annual supplies of the articles as per Schedules noted below for the year ending 28th February, 1941. Tenders should be addressed to the Municipal Commissioner and delivered at the Office of the Chief Accountant, Municipal Offices, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, not later than 1 P.M. (B.T.) on MONDAY, the 12th February, 1940 together with earnest money deposits as shown below against each schedule:—

Schedule No. 9, Brooms Goa, Rs. 500/-; No. 16, Enamel ware and Lamp ware, Rs. 250/-; No. 17, Electric cables and wires, Rs. 100/-; No. 19, (Part) Electric Accessories, Rs. 100/-; No. 19 A, Electric Conduits & Accessories, Rs. 50/-; No. 32, C. I. Rain water pipes, Soil pipes etc., Rs. 500/-; No. 47 (Part) Motor Accessories, Rs. 200/-; No. 96, Clothing for Havildars, Naiks, Drivers, etc. Rs. 250/-; No. 97, Clothing for Jamadars, Scavenging Staff, etc. Rs. 450/-; No. 98, Fire Brigade Staff Clothing, Rs. 250/-; No. 99, Clothing for Menials excepting peons, Rs. 300/-; No. 101, Clothing (Ready-made articles, General), Rs. 300/-; No. 103, Coats, woollen, Rs. 100/-; and Cement, Portland & Rapid Hardening (unlimited quantities) Rs. 2,000/-.

2. In the case of Schedules Nos. 16, 17, 19, 19A, 32, & 47, tenderers are at liberty to quote their rates for a period lesser than the usual contractual year, viz. from 1-3-1940 to 28-2-1941, but they should clearly state in their Schedules the period they are prepared to supply the articles under contract. The rates quoted should, as far as possible, be firm, and not subject to fluctuations during the period of the contract.

3. In the case of Schedules Nos. 96, 97, 98, 99, 101 & 103, tenderers should quote alternatively for (a) Indian mill-made cloth, and/or (b) Khadi, hand spun and hand woven, in the respective forms that will be supplied to them as mentioned in the next paragraph.

4. Tenders and contract forms will be issued by the undersigned to any one deputed to receive them on payment of Re. 1/- for a set of each agreement forms & Annas four for a set of Schedule forms. Tender forms will not be sent by V. P. Post.

5. The names of all partners of the contracting firm should be specified in the tender.

6. The Municipality does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By Order of the Municipal Commissioner,
A. P. SALDANHA,
Chief Storekeeper.
Chief Storekeeper's Office.
566, DeLisle Road,
Bombay, 26th Jan. 1940.
1870.

Public Notices

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

An ORDINARY MONTHLY MEETING of the Corporation will be held in the Municipal Office on MONDAY, the 5th February, 1940, at 3 P.M. (Bombay Time), for the consideration of the following business:—

1. Interpellations.

2-5. Letters from the authorities of the (2) Bai Yamunabai L. Nair Charitable Hospital; (3) Depressed Classes Education League; (4) Swastik League; and (5) New Physical Culture Home—Applying for grants-in-aid of their respective institutions.

6-8. Letters from the authorities of the (6) Gujrati Hindu Stree Mandal; (7) Dhanvantary Arogya Mandir; and (8) Model Industrial School—Forwarding Annual Reports, etc., of their respective institutions.

9. Letters from Mrs. Goolbai B. Banaji and another—Applying for permission to construct an additional garage, etc., on plot No. 61, Scheme 52, Worli Estate.

10. Letter from Mr. A. N. Sorathia—Requesting that he may be re-appointed as the librarian of the Siddique Mahomed Sobani Library.

11. Letter from Mr. Lala Jiva Solanki—Requesting that a class for Harijan boys be opened in the new school at Nowroji Hill Road.

12. Letter from the Secretary, Bombay Poor People's Party—Asking for certain information about the number, etc., of Marathi, Gujarati and Urdu Schools in the City.

13. Letter from Mr. I. J. Samson, Advocate—Claiming refund of excess taxes recovered in respect of a property at 1st Pathan Street, belonging to his client, Mr. Ratansi Hirji Bhojraj.

Resolutions of the Standing Committee—

14. Forwarding half yearly statement of outstanding bills for Municipal Taxes.

15. Forwarding a list of letters from the ex-Municipal Auditors pending disposal by the Standing Committee.

16. Recommending an additional grant of Rs. 12,504 from the "Garden Fund" for providing extensions to the Bhavnagar Cage at the Victoria Gardens.

17. Regarding the question of effecting economy in the Establishment, etc., charges, in respect of Municipal buildings.

18. Recommending the refund of deposits paid by the owners of certain properties at Mahim.

19. Recommending approval, as an experimental measure, to the proposals for dilution of sewage by means of water from tube wells.

20. Recommending continuance of the arrangement for inspection, etc., of meters in the Water Works Department.

Resolutions of the Improvements Committee—

21. Recommending condonation of the breach of certain Building Rules in respect of a building in Worli Estate.

22. Regarding an application from the lessees of certain plots in Shivaji Park Scheme for reduction of premium payable for encroachment of 'otlas', etc.

Resolutions of the Special Committees—

23. Regarding a proposal for carrying out certain Road, Drainage, etc., works in Scheme No. 6, Sion-Matunga Estate.

24. Regarding cutting, etc., of the hill at Worli and extending the sea wall thereat further south.

25. Regarding the work of enlarging and extending the existing water mains in Belvedere Road, Mazgaon.

26. Regarding construction of chawls for the labour staff of the Water Works Department Working outside the City.

27. Regarding the work of constructing pipe drains for picking up waste water from washing places in Dharavi Village.

28. Regarding the layout of certain plots at Sion, in Scheme 6, and provision of housing accommodation for the dishoused villagers therein.

29. Regarding a change in the user of a portion of a building in the Hornby Road Estate.

30. Regarding the question of amending the Municipal Act so as to provide for a penalty when a Councillor votes on a question in which he is pecuniarily interested, etc.

31. Regarding amendment of Section 118-A of the Municipal Act.

32. Regarding installation of Telephone Call-boxes at certain road junctions in the City.

Letters from the Commissioner—

33. Forwarding lists showing the breeding places of Malaria carrying mosquitoes detected in November and December, 1939.

34. Forwarding the monthly Analytical and Bacteriological Reports on the Bombay Water supplies.

35. Regarding the alleged Municipal encroachment on certain land at Belvedere Hill Road, Mazgaon.

36. Forwarding quarterly statements of motor vehicles taxed and exempted.

37. Forwarding quarterly statement showing the quantity of water brought into the City from the various lakes, etc.

38. Reporting on the question of giving a grant towards the IXth Indian Olympic Games.

39. Government communication—Forwarding a Resolution regarding the appointment of Mr. B. G. Kher as President of the Bombay Adult Education Committee.

40. Letter from the Municipal Secretary—Requesting the Corporation to appoint their representatives on the Adult Education Committee.

41. Letter from Mr. Umadutt S. Nemani—Applying for leave of absence from the Meetings of the Corporation.

42. Letter from Mrs. Lilavati K. Munshi—Thanking the Corporation for her appointment as their representative on the Board of Management of the Gujerati Hindu Stree Mandal.

43. Confirmation of the Special Committees' Proceedings.

44. Schools Committee's letters —Forwarding copies of the Committee's proceedings.

Notices of Motions—

45. From Mr. M. I. Rowjee—For amending the Municipal Act so as to take a deposit of Rs. 100 from a voter desiring to file a suit against a candidate in the Municipal elections, etc.

46-52. From Mr. B. J. Deorukhkar—For (46) reducing by 50 per cent. the rent of Municipal and Trust Chawls; (47) cancelling licenses issued to Hair Cutting Saloons which refuse admission to the Scheduled Classes, etc., (48) requesting Government to supply to the Councillors copies of the Bombay Civil List free of charge; (49) starting an Industrial School for the children of the Municipal employees of lower ranks; (50) installing a big clock on the Municipal Head Office Building; (51) requesting the B. B. & C. I. and the G. I. P. Railway authorities to introduce under-ground trains within the City limits; and (52) having a Municipal Flag.

53-58. From Mr. M. V. Donde—For (53) providing educational and recreational facilities for Municipal menials at the Chembur colony; (54) introducing compulsory Physical Education in Primary Schools; (55) requesting the Law, etc., Committee to report on the desirability or otherwise of continuing the convention of communal turns in the election to the Mayoral Chair; (56) pressing on Government the Corporation's claim for additional grant for Primary Education, etc., (57) obtaining a report from the Commissioner regarding the working, etc., of the scheme of welfare work for Municipal menials; and (58) requesting Government to nominate a representative of the Corporation on the Provincial Board of Primary Education.

59-63. From Mr. B. J. Deorukhkar—(59-60) For providing (59) books to the students of the poorer classes in Municipal schools free of cost, and (60) a waiting room for the relations attending on the patients at the K. E. M. Hospital; (61) for reducing the amount of deposit to be kept by a candidate belonging to the Scheduled Classes and standing for Municipal elections; (62) for adopting Standard Time for Municipal purposes; and (63) for requiring that the Mayor of Bombay should be elected by the citizens direct and should hold office for the complete term of the Corporation.

64-71. From Mr. K. H. Goregaoker—For (64) obtaining a report from the Commissioner regarding the prevalence of Smallpox in the City, etc.; (65) maintaining a "Complaint Book" in Municipal Hospitals, Dispensaries, etc.; (66) obtaining reports from the Schools Committee and the Commissioner relating to the death of a school boy owing to his fall through the railing of a school building; (67-71) requesting the Commissioner (67) to improve the footpath along the eastern side of the Churchgate Railway Station, (68) to consider the desirability of withdrawing licences given for stall-board projections along the southern footpath at Grant Road, (69) to expedite his report on the complaints regarding the sheds occupied by depressed class workers at Kalachowki, (70) to request the Bombay Telephone Co. to regularly examine all the Public Telephones; and (71) to furnish certain information regarding "Snow's Relief Fund."

By Order of His Worship the Mayor,
S. N. DAMLE,
Municipal Secretary.
Municipal Corporation Office,
Bombay, 27th January 1940.
(1869)

NOTICE TO PAINTING CONTRACTORS.

TENDERS ARE INVITED for painting the Office Building in Nishanpada Road, Pydhoni, for the Dawoodbhoy Fazalbhoy Muslim Educational Trust. The estimated total quantity of painting works to 4,000 brass.

Copies of tender forms and specifications can be had from the Office of the undersigned and must be submitted on or before 3 P.M. on MONDAY, the 5th February, 1940, accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 500.

MESSRS. ADALJA & NOORANI.
Architects & Engineers.
Mustafa Building,
Sir P. M. Road, Fort, Bombay.
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FORM OF NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that share certificate No. B. 11666, for five shares Nos. 203326-203330, in the Reserve Bank of India, issued in the name of Chimanlal Hathishing Shah has been LOST, STOLEN or MISLAID. Due Notice thereof has been given to the Bank and all persons are warned against dealing with the shares certificate in any way.

CHIMANLAL HATHISHING SHAH.
(Shareholder.)
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ZENANA SHOW THURSDAY 1 P.M.

Great Enthusiasm Evinced At Kalyan

(From Our Correspondent)
KALYAN, Jan. 27.

Unprecedented enthusiasm was in evidence yesterday here. The town observed its "Independence Day" with the solemnity and grandeur befitting the occasion. Mr. R. M. Patwardhan, the President of the Kalyan Town Congress Committee had arranged a whole day programme.

Since morning numerous "Prabhat Ferries" and processions of boys and girls paraded the streets with the usual slogans. At about 8 a. m. "Flag Salutation" was held amidst a large gathering. There was a partial hartal in the town, though all primary and secondary schools were closed.

Mr. T. R. Deogirikar, a Poona Congress worker and Editor of the "Chitramaya Jagat" addressed at night a largely attended meeting and spoke on the Congress stand "vis-a-vis" the war and the Constituent Assembly and its potency as a solvent of India's political ills. The "Independence Pledge" was read over and solemnly repeated by the audience.

No trouble arose over the new "charkha" clause. The meeting terminated with "Vande Mataram."

Satyamurti Elected President Again

MADRAS, January 28.

At a meeting of the Madras District Congress Committee, Mr. S. Satyamurthi, M.L.A., was re-elected President and Mr. P. M. Adikesavalu Naicker, M.L.A., was elected Vice-President.—A.P.

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"JAWANI-KI-RIT"
KRISHNA Daily: 4-15, 7 & 10 P.M.

DENTAL REGISTRATION ACT FOR BOMBAY?

N. H. D. College Social Gathering

The 5th Annual Social gathering of the Nair Hospital Dental College was held in the Hotel Majestic, on Saturday evening, when Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Ex-Minister of Public Health presided.

Dr. Nariman F. Vaid, Ag. Dean of the College, thanked Dr Gilder for taking keen interest in the College, when he was in office.

It was a matter of gratification, he said, that this year the College had been affiliated to the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Bombay, for the L. D S., C P. S. Diploma course.

He deplored the fact that after 100 years of dentistry in the world, India had only one Government Dental College in the Punjab, and that only Bengal had passed a Dental Registration Act.

In the Bombay Presidency, due to the keen interest taken by Dr. Gilder they hoped to have a Dental Registration Act enacted in the near future. He hoped that the Government would consider the question of giving a grant to the College.

DR. GILDER'S HOPES

Dr. Gilder in the course of his speech said that the founders of the Institution were pioneers in dental surgery in this Province. Though the College had been recognized by the Government, he trusted that it would also be affiliated to the University of Bombay.

During his regime as Health Minister, Dr. Gilder continued he had drafted the Dental Registration Act whereby only qualified persons who had secured necessary training in a dental college would be allowed to practice as dental surgeons, in the same manner as other medical practitioners.

In conclusion, he advised the students to take interest in present-day politics and march with the time.

"PROVINCIALISM AS DEADLY AS COMMUNALISM"

Chaudhuri K. G. Dutt's Advice To Punjabis

Under the joint auspices of the Punjab Club and the North Indian Association, a tea-party was given on Saturday evening at the club's premises at Marine Drive, to welcome Chaudhri Krishna Gopal Dutt, M.L.A. (Congress) from the Punjab. Mr. B. G. Kher, was present by special request.

Replying to the felicitations offered to him by Messrs Jagannath Gani and Kurane, the Presidents of the two clubs, Mr. Dutt deplored the lack of unity among the Punjabis, and also warned them against provincialism, which he described as a poison as deadly as communalism. The deliberate inculcation of provincial feelings started with the rise to power of the Unionist Party, and he considered that the future of India would be ominous if such isolation was allowed to develop.

Mr. Kher pointed out to the gathering that the martial qualities of the Punjab connoted endurance and bravery, the harnessing of these qualities to the non-violent struggle of India would be an incalculable contribution. He fervently hoped that in the near future the Ministry in the Punjab "would fall in line with the other ministries", and take up the fight for freedom. He exhorted the audience: "Let Excelsior be your motto—to march forward bravely and nobly as befits man".

Other speakers were: Smti. Shenno Devi and Prof. Sodhi of Khalsa College.

Bihar Congressman's Resolve

PATNA,

Mr. Satyanarain Sinha, M.L.A., (Central) and President of the Darbhanga District Congress Committee, has undertaken a vow that he would not take his day's meal until he has that day collected Rs. 500 for the Ramgarh Congress.

For the purpose of the collection, he is at present engaged on a tour of the district.—A. P.

Independence Day At Bhavnagar

(From Our Correspondent)
BHAVNAGAR, January 27.

Amidst stormy weather conditions, the "Independence Day" Pledge was read out to a public meeting by Sjt. Balvantrai Mehta, and it was repeated by all standing.

At night, a "Pritibhojan" was arranged at the Harijan Ashram.

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MONDAY, JAN. 29.

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

5 p.m. Delhi Radio Orchestra. 5-5 Majidanbai. 5-25 Ashiq Husain. 5-40 Richard Tauber. 6-15 Usman Khan. 6-30 For villagers only 7-30 Feeding the front, 2. 7-45 Vilayat Khan. 8 Duets with dialogue. 8-15 War and the Civilian, 2. 8-30 Gauhar Sultan. 8-50 Delhi Radio Orchestra. 10 Dancing time. 10-35 Persian music.

Delhi II—Programme

60.48 metres (4,960 kc/s)

5 to 6-15 p.m. As in Delhi 1. 6-15 Vilayat Khan. 6-30 Gauhar Sultan. 6-50 Instrumental Trio. 6-55 Usman Khan. 7-15 Majidanbai. 7-30 to 7-45 As in Delhi 1. 7-45 Ashiq Husain. 8 to 10 As in Delhi 1.

Lahore Programme

276 metres (1,086 kc/s)

6-10 p.m. For the countryside 7 Shamshad Begam. 7-20 Violin recital. 7-30 Recitation from Urdu poetry. 7 40 Bhai Desa. 8 Tamancha Jan. 8-15 The story of the Nazis, 3. 8-30 Shamshad Begam. 8-50 Indian music. 9-50 Jaijaiwanti on the violin. 10 Shamshad Begam. 10-15 Tamancha Jan.

Bombay I—Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)

8 a.m. Keep fit! 8-10 From Kapalkundala. 8-15 News in Marathi. 8-20 News in Gujarati. 8-25 Amritlal of Navsari. 8-40 News in Hindustani. 8-50 News in English. 9 What shall I cook? 9-5 Bhajans. 9-15 Desi on the Sarod. 9-25 Meerabai's Bhajan. 9-35 Kavi Pradip. 9-40 Purushottam. 12-30 p.m. A Musical Potpourri. 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 Ghazals. 1-10 Mutual understanding. 1-25 Malik Arjun Manscor. 1-30 News in English. 1-35 Lunch hour music. 2-30 Musical prelude. 2-35 English literature. 2-50 Some Indian Ragas. 3 Bhakta Kavi Dayaram. 5 You asked for it. 5-25 News in Marathi. 5-30 News in Gujarati. 5-35 Selected by Roda C. Aderbad. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Picked from the papers. 6-20 Amritlal. 6-30 Janapada Geet. 6-40 Amritlal. 6-50 Manne Chakar Rakhoji. 7 Natak-Ki-Kahani. 7-55 News in Marathi. 8-10 News in Gujarati. 8-25 Amritlal. 8-35 Purushottam. 8-55 Talk of the town. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-45 Recorded music. 9-55 Purushottam. 10-15 Iqbal Bibi. 10-30 Late news.

Bombay II—Programme

31.4 metres (9,550 kc/s)

8 to 8-15 a.m. As in Bombay 1. 8-15 Iqbal Bibi. 8-35 Ramkali on the violin. 8-45 Four Bhavgeets. 9 Topical talk in Marathi. 9-15 V. A. Kagalkar. 9-40 Sindhi Kafi. 9-50 The Air Trio. 10 Close down.

31.4 metres (9,550 kc/s)

12-30 to 12-57 p.m. As in Bombay 1. 12-57 Garba. 1 to 1-30 As in Bombay 1. 1-30 European music. 1-35 to 3-15 As in Bombay 1. 3-15 Close down.

61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

5 to 5-25 As in Bombay 1. 5-25 Highbrow. 5-35 to 6 As in Bombay 1. 6 Songs from the screen. 6-10 Purushottam. 6-30 V. A. Kagalkar. 7 Some recent Gujarati books. 7-15 Iqbal Bibi. 7-30 Commercial news. 7-45 Vishnupant Pagnis. 8-5 V. A. Kagalkar. 8-25 To-morrow. 8-30 Can you catch me out? 2. 8-45 Habib Ali Khan. 8-55 Guess the artist. 9 Vishnupant Pagnis. 9-20 Two folk tunes. 9-30 "Wreckham Kidnapping Case". An Inspector Harnleigh Episode. 9-45 Records. 9-50 Air Nonette 10-30 News.

Dacca Programme

257.1 metres (1,16[illegible] kc/s)

5 p.m. Shri Radha. 5-45 News in Bengali. 5-50 Dwijen Chakravarti. 6 News in English. 6-5 Gnayer Pathey. 7 Sukumar Roy. 7-15 Luxmibala. 7-30 Dwijen Chakravarti. 7-45 The sporting world. 8 Samarendra Paul. 8-25 Nitya Burman. 8-45 News in Bengali. 9 Announcements in Bengali. 9-5 Sukumar Roy. 9-20 News in English. 9-45 Nitya Burman. 10-5 Samarendra Paul. 10-30 Late news. Close down.

Calcutta I—Programme

370.4 metres (810 kc/s)

(Add 24 minutes for Calcutta time)

5 p.m. For the countryside. 5-50 For the countryside. 6 News in English. 6-10 Madhuri Dey. 6-25 K. C. Ghose. 6-45 Abbasuddin Ahmed. 7 Sachindas Motilal. 7-30 Yadukar, 2. 7-50 Abbasuddin Ahmed. 8-5 The Marvels of Science, 3. 8-20 Uttara Devi. 8-40 Announcements in Bengali. 9 The rise of the press in India. 9-45 Variety night.

Calcutta II—Programme

61.98 metres (4,840 kc/s)

5 to 9-30 p.m. As in Calcutta 1. 9-30 Listener's Request.

Lucknow Programme

293.5 metres (1,022 kc/s)

6-10 p.m. Siddheshwaribai. 6-25 Topic of the day. 6-30 Hamara Panchayetghar. 7 Bhola Nath Bhattacharya. 7-5 Siddheshwaribai. 7-19 Doolah Mian. 7-30 Hikmat Ke Khazane, 2. 7-45 Mohammad Ashraf. 7-50 Siddheshwaribai. 8 Lakir Ka Fakir. 8-25 Doolah Mian. 8-39 Qadir Bukhsh. 8-44 Siddheshwaribai. 9-45 Recorded music. 9-50 Doolah Mian. 10 Mohammad Ashraf. 10-12 Siddheshwaribai.

Madras—I Programme

211 metres (1,420 kc/s)

4 p.m. Children's Educational Broadcasts. 4-3 Things of interest. 4-6 Life in the sea. 4-16 Song story in Tamil. 4-20 Light songs in Tamil. 4-30 More songs that have sold a million. 5 Carnatic Orchestra. 5-20 T. N. Rajaratnam Pillai. 6-5 Shrimati Alamelu Jayarama Iyer 6-40 To-day's headline. 6-45 The personality of Tyagaraja. 7 To-day's headline. 7-5 A talk in Tamil. 7-15 Instrumental interludes. 7-50 Semmangudi Srinivasa Iyer. 9 To-day's headline. 9-5 Books that changed our mind. 9-49 George Baker. 10-5 Conrad Woldringh.

Madras II—Programme

60.98 metres (4,920 kc/s)

4 to 9-30 p.m. As in Madras 1. 9-30 Tyagaraja Vijayam.

Trichy Programme

396 metres (758 kc/s)

5 p.m. Instrumental overture. 5-20 S. Pakiriswami Pillai. 6-5 For the villages. 6-30 K. Murti Rao Bhagavatar. 7 Shri Tyagaraja. 7-50 Tyagaraja's Rama Natakam. 9-45 Tyagaraja's Rama Natakam.

Hyderabad Programme

411 metres (730 kc/s)

5-30 p.m. Farooq Ahmed's Party—Qawwali. 6 "Bath" by Mr. A. M. Qadri. 6-15 Guru Rao—music. 6-35 Farooq Ahmed—Qawwali. 7 to 7-30 For Children (Urdu). 7-30 Guru Rao—music. 7-40 Farooq Ahmed—Qawwali. 9 Duet—Kannayya and Pujaran. 9 10 "Prem Biti" by Mr. M. Z. Hassan.

HOLIDAY IN BOMBAY RESTRICTS TRADING ON N. Y. COTTON EXCHANGE AND TALK OF SUBSIDY ABANDONMENT

Bombay Selling And Hedging In Liverpool Market ...

Bombay : Jan. 27.

The New York cotton market was inactive with the holiday in Bombay exercising a restrictive influence, but the talk of forced abandonment of the export subsidy due to lack of funds contributed to the early decline. However prices steadied in the absence of Bombay pressure.

It will be seen that Bombay selling is the chief cause behind the present decline in American cotton. Most of the selling is purely against straddle reversing owing to narrow parity between Indian and American cotton. The liquidation has improved the technical situation and we do not look any important decline.

NEW YORK MARKET

The New York cotton market opened steady. After the early decline in sympathy with Liverpool and Alexandria, prices steadied on price-fixing and local and New Orleans buying with trade chiefly transferring nears to distants.

SUBSIDY FUNDS

Agricultural Dept. officials stated that they may be forced to abandon cotton export subsidy on some 1,500,000 bales short of the goal owing to lack of funds but no definite determination can be made pending a final report on cancellations of exports under the early high rate. Thus far cancellations of about 50,000 bales have been received the majority of which fell under the original rate of 1 1/2 cents. Unless cancellations increase, there will be only enough money available to make commitments of 6,500,000 of which more than 6,000,000 have already been completed.

At the opening March was quoted 4 points down at 10.68. There was increased selling and prices declined further to 10.62, which was the lowest level Later on there was active buying and March rose to 10.80 which was the highest level. The market closed at a net rise of 5 to 6 points. Spot cotton prices advanced 2 points at 10.91c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was fairly steady and with a better tone closed at a rise of 5 to 8 points. Spot cotton prices gained 7 points at 10.42c. per lb

LIVERPOOL MARKET

The Liverpool cotton futures market opened at a decline of 7 points with March 8.04. The market was quiet and was awaiting fresh developments. There was Bombay selling and hedging which met trade calling and scattered buying. Later on there was tired liquidation more than offset trade calling. The market closed at a decline of 13 to 14 points. Middling American spot cotton prices declined 15 points at 8.30d. per lb.

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Egyptian cotton market was easy and Uppers futures closed 15 to 27 points down, while Giza futures closed 25 to 27 points. The Alexandria cotton futures market was easy and Sakels declined 33 to 35 points and Ashmouni futures lost 36 to 18 points.

PRIVATE CABLES :—

New York March (2-40 p.m.) :— Highest ..... 10.80+08

New York March (10-12 a.m.) :— Lowest ..... 10.62—10

Liverpool March :— Highest ..... 8.08—03 Lowest 7.95 16

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co. Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends :—

LIVERPOOL.—Small sensitive market. Scattered selling on weakness Egyptian. Steady close with fair trade calling. Market bullish for long term view.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Jan. 27.

March	1077
May	10.47
July	10.13
Middling spot	10.90 nominal

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, Jan. 27.

March	10.86
May	10.57
July	10.23
Middling spot	10.42 nominal

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS

New York, Jan. 27.

	Bales
Days receipts at all U. S. Ports	22,000
Days exports to Great Britain	35.000
Days exports to the Continent	3,000
Days exports to China and Japan	9,000

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, Jan. 27.

T. T. London on :—

New York	4.02-1/2/4.03-1/2
Paris	176-1/2/176-3/4
Madrid	39.00 unofficial
Montreal	4.43/4.47
Amsterdam	7.53/7.58
Brussels	23.70/23.85
Milan	78.50 unofficial
Berne	17.85/17.95
Copenhagen	20.62 unofficial
Stockholm	16.85/16.95
Oslo	17.65/17.75

LONDON SEEDS

London, Jan. 27.

Rozario Santa Fe 26 Feb. quoted.
Barletta Russo unquoted.
South Australian 26 Feb. quoted.

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay : Jan. 27.

The local market was very nervous on the release of the Excess Profit Tax Bill. The market was expected to open at Rs. 270 for Broach A/M delivery following a rise of 6 points in New York cotton futures. The market opened easy at Rs. 260 and declined to Rs. 258 under scattered liquidation but later there appeared some covering and prices advanced to Rs. 263/8. Later on the market was quiet with scattered selling.

Later on there was improved buying and offices were chief buyers. Broach A/M improved to Rs. 265/8. The Liverpool market was closed to-day.

Later on there was scattered realising and prices declined to Rs. 265. The market closed at 5-30 p.m. as under :—

Broach April/May	Rs. 264/4
Broach July/August	Rs. 274/4
Oomra March	Rs. 236/0
Oomra May	Rs. 239/12
Bengal March	Rs. 196/8
Bengal May	Rs. 199/8

COTTON PARITY

DIFFERENCE BROACH :—

A/M below Liverpool May 186 penny pts.
J/A below Liverpool July 154 penny pts.
A/M below New York May 12 cent pts.
J/A above New York July 62 cent pts.

ALEXANDRIA COTTON

Alexandria : Jan. 26.

SAKELS.	ASHMOUNI.	GIZA
Mar. 20.00—38	Feb. 17.56—36	Mar. 18.46—35
May. 20.05—35	Apl. 17.87—23	May. 18.92—21

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Liverpool : Jan. 26.

	UPPER.	GIZA NO. 4.
Spot	10.10—1	10.59—1
January	9.62—27	9.93—25
March	9.78—17	10.01—25
May	9.87—17	10.17—25
July	9.93—16	10.23—25
October	9.59—15	10.21—27
December	9.64—15	Novr. 10.17—27

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay : Jan. 27.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

3 1/2 per cent Paper 91/13; 4 per cent 1960/70 106; 5 per cent 1945/55 110/6.

BANKS

Bank of Baroda 100; Bank of Hindusthan 22/12; Bank of India 139/3; Central Bank 34/3; Imperial Bank F P 1491/4; Imperial Bank P P 363/12; Indian Overseas Bank 46/8; Reserve Bank X-D 103/4; Union Bank 5/11/6.

INSURANCE

Empire 630; Jupiter 9/8; New India 37; Oriental 4150; Vulcan 6/13.

RAILWAYS

Ahmd. Prantij 985; Central Provinces 100; Pachora Jamner 66/14; Tapti Valley 762/8.

TEXTILES

Ahmd. New Textiles 450; Ambica 255; Arun 210; Arvind 1350; Asok 210; Bharatkhand Textiles 2200; Bombay Dyeing 915; Buckingham and Carnatics 220; Calico 727/8; Central India 297/8; Century 296/4: Colaba 149/8 Elgin 162/8; Gokak 170; Hukumchand 165/10 Indore Malwa 55; Jubilee 285; Khatau Makanji 141/4; Kohinoor 335; Laxmi Cotton 712/8; Madhusudan 200; Marsden 192/8; Morarji 170; Mysore 120; Nandlal Bhandari 77/4: New Great 347/8; Raipur 700; Rajnagar 157/8; Sajjan 97/8; Sassoon and Alliance 88/4; Sholapur 4375; Simplex 101/4; Swadeshi 268/12: Vishnu 1395.

HYDRO ELECTRICS

Andhra Valley Ord. 1472/8; Tata Hydro Ord. 162/8; Tata Power Ord. 1317/8.

ELECTRICS

Ahmedabad Electrics 145/10; Ajmer Electrics 10/10; Amalgamated 10/12; Bombay Suburban 165; Bombay Tram 130/10; Lahore Electrics 225; Surat Electrics 170.

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock Ashdown 457/8; Associated Cements 126; Belapur 218/2; Bombay Burma New 177/8; Bombay Burma Old 552/8; Bombay Steam 298/2; Bombay Telephone 84/12; Br. B Petrol 4/15; Burma Corporation 5/6; Dalmia Cement 9/12; Indian Bleaching 113/12, Industrial Investment Trust 46; India Radio Ord. 485; Indian Radio Defd. 475; Indian Copper 2/5; Indian Iron 37/8; Mysore Sugar 44; Port Canning 73/4; Premier Construction 76/8; Rohtas Industries 21; Scindia Steam 21/10; Shivrajpur 44 Steel Corporation of Bengal 19/8; Tata Oil 48 Tata Steel Ordy. 359; Tata Steel Defd. 1905

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JUTES

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GROUNDNUT AND SEEDS

Bombay : Jan. 27.

	Rs.as.ps.
CASTORSEEDS MAY :—	
Opening	54 2 0
Highest	54 14 0
Lowest	53 12 0
Closing	54 6 0
GROUNDNUTS FEBRY. :—	
Opening	36 8 0
Highest	37 1 0
Lowest	36 8 0
Closing	36 14 0
GROUNDNUTS MAY :—	
Opening	39 12 0
Highest	41 6 6
Lowest	39 12 0
Closing	40 3 0
COTTONSEEDS JANRY. :—	
Opening	25 8 0
Highest	25 8 6
Lowest	25 7 6
Closing	25 8 0
COTTONSEEDS MAY :—	
Opening	27 1 0
Highest	27 3 6
Lowest	27 0 0
Closing	27 1 6

Panic On Stock Exchange

EXTENSIVE NERVOUS SELLING ON EXCESS PROFIT TAX BILL

Collapse Of Price Structure

Bombay : Jan. 27.

"Misfortunes do not come singly," and so it has happened to Bulls on the local Stock Exchange where prices of Tata Steel Defds. after declining Rs. 400 improved about Rs 100, but they again slumped by about Rs. 200 to-day after the publication of the details of the Excess Profit Tax Bill. Last night it was strongly rumoured that details would be released to-day and they are now before the public.

The market was in a state of panic and it was almost impossible to say what would happen. Everybody was anxious while Bears were calmly watching the sentiment It was a boon to Bears to see the Bill coming to help them

It is the first session of the year which opened at a sensational drop of Rs. 170 in Tata Steel Defd. quotations and with scattered support prices improved to Rs. 1925. At this level the support was withdrawn and prices resumed downward tendency and Defds. declined to Rs. 1865 and finally closed at Rs 1905.

Apart from a few strong spots, Wall-Street was listless but undertone improved slightly and fractional gains predominated, the market closing steady. However, traders were cautious and seemingly disposed to conserve cash awaiting business and political developments At the same time the revival of peace talk had a restraining influence. U. S. Steel shares declined 3/8 at 57 3/4. Anaconda Copper Mining shares declined 1/4 at 26 3/4 and General Motors improved 1/4 at 52 3/8 dollars.

The month of January will go in history of the Share Bazar as having the first huge drop after a steady rise since the outbreak of the War. The decline is too rapid and naturally must result in heavy losses to Bull operators and now with confidence impaired and the market unsettled, it will be impossible to recover the lost ground in the near future as the market has yet to face the Central Budget.

However, one cannot look for a permanent decline as long as the war continues. The industrial outlook is decidedly promising and eventually prices will recover when confidence will be restored and investment support will be forthcoming.

The Excess Profit Tax will take away a fairly large portion of the excess earnings, but not the whole profits earned. This means prices may not rise to dizzy heights but naturally there can be no justification for a lasting decline. In speculative markets violent fluctuations are not unlikely and we are still in the first stage of the War.

The Excess Profit Tax takes away 50 per cent of profits made owing to war. This will naturally check speculative enthusiasm and the Bill virtually amounts to partnership in profits only, while the losses are to be borne by operators This will check reckless speculation to a great extent and we will have stable markets.

Tata Steel ordinary shares opened at Rs. 357 and after declining to Rs. 347 advanced to Rs. 363 and finally closed at Rs. 359. Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 955 and collapsed to Rs. 880 and closed at Rs. 920. Kohinoors declined to Rs. 336. Nagpurs declined Rs. 32 to Rs. 299, while Century shares closed at Rs 297. Associated Cements were placed at Rs. 120/8 and Bombay Burmas closed at Rs. 555 after a drop of Rs. 56.

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

Bombay : Jan. 27.

Bombay Dyeing	(1000)	925	895	915	900	910	921 920
Century	332)	295	290	300	299	301	294 300 297
Central India	(331)	295	275	302	295	299	298
Kohinoor	(356)	310	315	338	330	332	329 338 336
New Great	(379)	320	350	345	346	342	355 348
Simplex	(110/8)	98	102	99	101/8		
Swadeshi	(306)	275	280	276	278	277	
Associated Cement	(124/12)	121	120	121	120/8		
Andhra	(1475)	1475					
Tram. Ordinary	(131/8)	131					
Tata Hydro	(153)	153					
Tata Power	(1335)	1300	1322	1320	1325	1320	
Tata Steel Defd.	(2050)	1680	1870	1905	1892	1927	1895 1910 1887 1895 1890 1915 1905
Tata Steel Ordinary	(381/8)	349	346	357	355	360	355 359
Tata Steel 2nd Pref.	(136/12)	136/8					
Bellapur	(234)	215	218	212	220	218	219/8
Bombay Steam	(303)	290	295				
Bombay Burma	(611/4)	532	547	557	542	560	555.

TEXTILE SHARES

Bombay, Jan. 27.

100	Ahmedabad Advance	350	0
250	BOMBAY DYEING	920	0
100	CENTURY	297	0
100	CENTRAL INDIA	298	0
100	COLABA	148	0
100	Coorla	120	0
250	David	40	0
250	Dawn	390	0
1	E. D. Sassoon Def.	0 8	0
100	FINLAY	145	0
100	GOKAK	171	0
1000	Hindustan	2000	0
100	Indore	49	0
100	Khatau	132	8
100	KOHINOOR	335	0
250	Laxmi	550	0
250	Madras United	21	0
100	MORARJI	171	0
250	Model	90	0
50	MYSORE	120	0
200	NEW GREAT	348	0
100	Osmanshahi	55	8
100	PHOENIX	306	0
25	SASSOON SILK	86	0
1000	Sholapur	4225	0
50	SIMPLEX	101	8
100	SWADESHI	277	0
100	SWAN	137	0
500	Vishnu	1380	0
1000	Western	950	0

BANKS

50-100	Baroda	100	0
25-50	CENTRAL	34	8
500	Imperial	X.D. 1492	8
125-500	Imp. Conty.	X.D. 363	12
50-100	India	139-1	2
100	Reserve Bank	X.D. 103	4
5	Union	5	12

CEMENTS

100	ASSOCIATED	120	8

INSURANCE

100	Empire	630	0
15-100	Jupiter	9	8
20	Mercantile	49	0
15-75	New India	37	0
200	Oriental	4150	0
10-50	Vulcan	7	0

ELECTRIC

100	Ahmed Old	145	00
1000	ANDHRA VALLEY	1475	0
10	Ajmer	10	10
50	BOMBAY TRAM	131	0
100	Bombay Suburban	165	0
10	Broach	11	8
100	Karachi	102	8
100	Poona	125	0
100	Surat	160	0
100	TATA HYDRO	153	0
100	TATA POWER	1320	0

RAILWAYS

500	Ahmedabad Prantij	985	0
100	C. Province	100	12
100	Dh Beramati	95	8
100	Gujarat	94	5
100	Mandra Bhon	9	5
100	Pachora Jamner	72	0
100	Sara Serajganj	97	0
500	Tapti Valley	762	8

MININGS

9	Burma Corpn.	6	10
2sh.	Indian Copper	2	5
10	Indian Iron and Steel	37	2
15	SHIVRAJPUR	44	8
30	TATA STEEL DEF.	1905	0
75	TATA Steel ORD.	339	0

MISCELLANEOUS

100	ALCOCK	470	0
10	Air Services	5	0
50	BELAPUR SUGAR	219	8
200	Bombay Safe Dep	602	8
250	BOMBAY STEAM	299	0
125	B. BURMA	555	0
50	B. BURMA CONT.	77	8
8sh.	Br. B. Petrol	4	15
50	BOMBAY TELEPHONE	85	0
100	IND BLEACHING	114	0
50	Ind. Invest. Trust	48	0
100	Ind Radio Def.	475	0
100	Ind. Radio Ord.	500	0
100	Port Canning	73	4
30	PREMIER CON.	77	0
15	Scindia	21	10
25	Tata Oil Mill	48	0
100	Western I. Match	160	0

PREFERENCE

7	p.c. Andhra Valley	1375	0
6	p.c. Bombay Steam	285	0
7	p.c. Bom. Trams (T.F.)	75	0
6 1/4	p.c. Prem Const. 1st	108	0
6 1/4	p.c. Prem Const 2nd	100	0
7	p.c. Tata Hydro	142	8
7 1/2	p.c. Tata Power	1485	0
6	p.c Tata Steel 1st Pref.	191	14
7 1/2	p.c. Tata Steel 2nd	136	8
7	p.c Vishnu	682	8

DEBENTURES

3 3/4	p.c. Andhra Valley	100	0
6	p.c. Andhra Valley	103	8
4	p.c. Bombay Telephone	49	4
7	p.c Sholapur	75	8
6	p.c Tata Hydro	103	4

(Capital letters indicate shares on Forward list)

PEPPER AND GINGER

Bombay : Jan. 27.

(The Pepper and Ginger Merchants' Association, Ltd.)

	Rs.as.ps.
Pepper ready Alleppy per candy	90 0 0
Pepper Malta Sud 15th per candy	90 0 0
Pepper Chaitra Sud 15th per candy	98 0 0
Pepper Jeth Sud 15th per candy	98 0 0
Pepper ready Lampong in C.I.F. per candy	12 0 0
Ginger ready unbleached per cwt	18 0 0
Ginger ready bleached per cwt	20 0 8
Ginger Maha Sud 15th per cwt.	18 4 0
Ginger Chaitra Sud 15th per cwt.	19 8 0

PRODUCE RECEIPTS

Bombay : Jan. 27.

	Cwts.
Linseed	5,413
Rape, Rai and Mustardseeds	609
Gingellyseed	102
Poppyseed	124
Groundnuts	24,013
Castorseed	2,855
Myrabollams	1,417
Cottonseed	12,614
Indian Sugar	3,287

BOMBAY METALS

Bombay : Jan. 27.

Yellow metal sheets	Rs. 56
Copper sheets	Rs. 79

Tone :—Steady.

American Cotton Figures

F. P. Bales.	1939/40	1938/39
Receipts to date 26/1/40	5544000	3219000
Receipts yesterday 26/1/40	59000	23000
Export to date 26/1/40	3932000	2271000
Stock at Ports 19/1/40	3396000	2956000
Stock at interior towns do.	2123000	3336000
Visible Supply 19/1/40	7419000	7439000
Quantity in sight 19/1/40	10244000	7424000
Quantity out of sight 19/1/40	5620800	

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay : Jan. 27.

Yesterday London Gold was unchanged at £8/8/0. London/Paris Exchange rate was 176-1/2 to 176 3/4. Dollar/Sterling cross rate was 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 and 3.98 1/2 at New York. London Silver spot prices advanced 1/8d. at 21 15/16d. and forward quotation was 1/8d. at 21 7/8d. There was little speculative buying and offerings were small. Later on there were buyers at fixed prices but there were no offerings. New York spot silver was unchanged at 34 3/4 cents. London/Bombay spot silver parity is Rs. 58/2/6 and forward parity was Rs. 58/0/6. Sovereigns were quoted at Rs. 27. The local market was nervous at the opening and silver prices after opening at Rs. 56/8 improved to Rs. 57/10. Gold was fairly steady and the market regained confidence.

Quotations were as under :—

	GOLD	SILVER
Ready	Rs. 42 4 0	57 2 0
Posh	Rs. 42 4 0	57 4 0
Maha	Rs. 42 6 0	57 6 0

SUGAR MARKET

Bombay : Jan. 27.

Fine White Java Sugar (per cwt) :—

Ready (small grain) Rs 18/6
Ready (large grain) Rs. 18/8
Shipment December Rs. 9 F.B.H.
Shipment January Rs. 9/4 F.B.H.
Shipment February Rs. 9/6 F.B.H.
Shipment March Rs. 9/8 F.B.H.

Indian Sugar Ready :—

Ready (ordinary) Rs. 17/12 to 18
Ready (large grain) Rs. 18-1 to 18/9
Tone :—Quiet.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, Jan. 27.

2 3/4 per cent. 1948/58 Loan 93-14
3 1/2 per cent G. P. Notes 91-12
3 per cent 1941 Bonds 101-6
3 per cent 1951/54 Bonds 94-10
3 per cent. 1963/66 Loan 88-13
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan 100-11
4 per cent. 1960/79 Loan 106
4 per cent 1948 Bonds 104-6
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 Loan 109-6
5 per cent 1940/43 Bond 101-12

TAX-FREE LOANS

5 per cent 1945/55 Loan 110-7
4 per cent 1953-65 Mysore 109
5 per cent 1955 Mysore 117-0

CORPORATION DEBENTURES

4 per cent B. P. T. 1974 102-4
4 per cent M. Deb 1974 101-8
5 per cent M Deb 1959 113
6 per cent M Deb 1954 120
6 per cent KPT 1956 120

Tone :—Steady.

MONEY MARKET

Bombay : Jan. 27.

AMERICAN COTTON WEEKLY STATISTICS

New York, Jan. 26.

	Season To Date	CORRESPONDING. This Week	Season 1938/9	Week 1939.
Total in sight (excluding Linters)	10,457	213	7,536	232
Forwarded to American Mills including Canada and other American (excluding linters)	5,094	157	3,817	262
Exports from U. S. Ports	3,949	284	2,278	161
Of which to Japan	552	68	451	38
Of which to China	247	19	47	10
Of which to Great Britain	1,292	104	312	27
Of which to Germany	30	—	324	25
Stock at U. S. Ports	—	3,185	—	2,823
Stock at U. S. Interior towns	—	3,067	—	3,288
World's visible supply	—	—	—	9,624
Of which American cotton	—	—	—	7,320
Forwarded to World's mills (excluding linters)	—	—	5,851	464
Receipts at U. S. Ports	5,642	173	3,220	100

N.B. all in bales 000' omitted.
Certificated stocks are placed at7,000 bales.

WORKING OF BANK OF INDIA LTD.

The report for the year ending December 1939 is as under:

The Directors beg to submit to the Shareholders the Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31st December 1939. The Auditors' Report is also annexed.

The transaction for the past year, including the balance brought forward from the previous year Rs. 8,33,535-10-4 have resulted in a profit of ..... Rs. 30,04,236 8 0

An ad-interim dividend was paid for the half-year ended 30th June 1939 at the rate of 11 per cent per annum, which absorbed ..... Rs. 5,50,000 0 0

Provision made for Income-Tax and Super-Tax for the year ..... Rs. 2,25,000 0 0

Bonus to Staff ..... Rs. 92,900 0 0

The Directors now propose:—

To pay a final dividend for the half-year ended 31st December 1939 at the rate of 11 per cent per annum on the Paid-up Capital of 100 lacs, free of Income-Tax, which will absorb ..... Rs. 5,50,000 0 0

To place to the Bank's Property Account ... Rs. 4,50,000 0 0

To place to the Bank's Reserve Fund ..... Rs. 2,50,000 0 0

To carry forward to the next account ... . Rs. 8,86,336 8 0

Total ..... Rs. 30,04,236 8 0

The Bank's business continued to function satisfactorily.

INDIAN STERLING LOANS.

London: Jan. 26.

INDIAN STERLING LOANS:—

3 per cent	77 3/4
3 1/2 per cent	90 1/2
3 1/2 per cent 1954/59	100 1/2
4 per cent 1948/53	105 1/2
4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	110
4 1/2 per cent 1958/68	111
5 per cent 1942/47	107
2 per cent 1949/52	95 1/2
2 1/2 per cent British Consols	73 5/8
3 1/2 per cent War Loan	98 3/8
4 per cent Funding Loan 1960/90	110 7/8
Indian Iron and Steel New Ordy.	60/7½

Cotton Room Rates

Bombay: Jan. 27.

	Ext. Spr-fine	Sup. Fine	F.G.	Good
M G Bengal U. P.	201	199	196	193
M G Punjab	201	199	196	193
M G Rajputana	210	208	205	202
M G Oomra No. 3	241	239	236	233
M G C. P. No. 1	256	254	251	248
M G C. P. No. 2	247	245	242	239
M G Broach No. 2	267	265	262	259

Ready Cotton Quotations

Bombay: Jan. 27.

Bengal Fine	198/99
Punjab Fine	193/95
C. P. 1	248/50
C. P. 2	239/40
Berar	233/34
Khandesh	220/24
Jalna/Saflu	224/27
Ahmednagar	224/26
Broach	254/56
Punjab 4 F.	264/71
Punjab 289F.	289/301
Sindh N. T.	279/89

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY

In full-pressed bales.	Yesterday.	This year.	Since 1st Septr. Last year
Khandesh	1,556	44,669	29,822
Central India	1,841	49,908	138,737
Barsi and Nagar	1,011	86,781	39,576
Hyderabad-Gaorani	161	36,134	3,805
Berar	3,216	193,890	87,097
Central Provinces	1,082	45,286	22,632
Total Oomras	8,867	456,668	321,669
Dholera	656	26,275	87,323
N.-W. Provinces		21,112	1,794
Rajputana	445	21,635	29,531
Sind-Punjab	1,857	253,870	205,626
Broach	2,069	6,841	14,953
Coompta and Dharwar		14,530	13,947
Westerns-Northerns		15,598	16,755
Cocoanada		50	6
Tinnevelly and Cambodia		1,204	2,540
American		2,229	1,693
Egyptian, African and Sudan		171,256	144,454
Comilla, Burma and other sorts		1,906	7
Total	13,894	993,174	840,298
Arrived by road to 18th January 1940		85,000	.....

EXPORTS FROM BOMBAY

In full-pressed bales.	Yesterday.	Sept. 1 to Jan. 18 This year.	Last year
Europe		76,836	105,380
Japan and China		326,745	441,438
Coast Ports		10,079	16,015
Up-country by Rail		148,474	150,084
Afloat in harbour for Europe, China and Japan		194	26,727
Total	4,583	562,328	739,641

WALL-STREET MARKET

New York: Jan. 26.

Messrs. Batlivala and Karani have issued the following report showing quotations of the New York Stock Exchange:—

	Dollars
American Tel. and Telg.	170 3/8
Elec. Bond and Share Com. dol.5 Pfd.	57 1/2
Western Union Telegraph	23 1/2
Reynolds Tobacco 'B'	41 1/4
Woolworth	40
Pittsburgh Screw and Bolt	7
New York Central Rail Road	16 1/4
Amrex Corporation	15 1/2
Union Carbon and Carbide	80 1/4
Texas Corporation	43 1/4
Consolidated Oil	7 1/4
United States Steel	57 3/4
Republic Steel	19 1/2
National Steel	66 1/4
Int. Nickel of Canada	35 3/8
Anaconda Copper Mining	26 3/4
General Motors	52 1/2
General Electric	38 7/8
Socony	11 3/4
Chase National Bank	34 3/4
National City Bank	29 1/4

Turnover 6,00,000 shares.
Tone:—Buying here scale down advisable.

HEAVY WITHDRAWALS FROM BANKS

Busy Week In London Money Market

(Special Cable)

LONDON, Jan. 27.

The Money Market experienced a busy week. Heavy withdrawals of cash from various banks for tax payments were responsible for reducing usual supply of loanable funds, consequently borrowers in some cases paid up to one-and-quarter per cent for overnight loans.

Only 55 million out of 60 million treasury bills offered were allotted. This was due to rapid inflow of taxes. The average rate of allotment was one pound two shillings compared with one pound one and eight pence last week.

Wall Street closed steady.

SHIPPING NEWS.

EXPORTS

Bombay, Jan 27

265 bales cotton waste L O Vora; 12 bales lamb skins with fur (raw) Grindlay and Co Ltd; 1280 bags gr nut oil cake exp K Prasad and Co Ltd; 198 bags sandalwood S Nowrojl and Co; 2800 bags castorseed K Devchand and Co Ltd; 34 bales wln carpets and rugs D Abraham and Sons; 2080 bags myrabollams P Mathradas and Co Ltd; 50 bags gum E Vallimahomed and Co; 75 bags turmeric E Virji; 36 bags turmeric A Esmail and Co; 23 bales grey ctn pcegoods E D Sassoon and Co Ltd; 27 bales wln carpets A W and Y G Hussain Zudah; 130 bags turmeric K Tricamji; 62 bags turmeric H Raghavji; 100 bags turmeric E Mavji and Co; 48 bags gum E Mavji and Co; 14 bags gum N Devidas and Co; 12 bags gum A Abdulla and Co; 34 bags turmeric N T Cooverji; 70 bags turmeric M Bhuta and Co; 30 bundles tobacco R Bahram and Bros; 17 bales wln carpets D Abraham and Sons; 25 bales cotton twist waste Champaklal and Co; 203 bales raw hemp T Dawoodbhai; 61 bags fish maws R Dhanji and Co; 50 cases bristles B Phillips and Hayley Ltd; 10 bags dry ginger N T Coowarji; 25 bags turmeric R S Tata and Co; 100 bales raw cotton R Kanji and Co; 500 bales raw cotton V Morarjee; 234 bags turmeric S M Rajgor and Co; 100 bales ctn twist waste L O Vora; 120 tons scrap iron G Gabriel.

IMPORTS

43 cases silk pcegoods; 306 cases art silk pcegoods; 158 cases art silk mixed pcegoods; 356 bales raw silk; 63 cases waste silk yarn; 54 cases cud meat; 677 slabs tin; 1000 cases cork boards; 185 cases brandy; 57 bags gum; 122 cases stl hinges; 200 bundles rubber; 148 cases corks; 120 cases gin; 1615 pkgs news printing paper; 1936 pcs old empty drums; 370 cases whisky; 71 bundles steel bars; 45 cases screw vac. tins; 207 cases petroleum stoves and blow lamps; 375 cases paint; 90 cases cyder; 71 cases wall bracket castings; 1421 bundles coir rope; 1186 bundles coir yarn; 465 bags carbide of calcium; 50 tucks cochineal; 50 mats empty glass bottles; 73 cases cigarettes; 80 cases ale; 176 cases cinema films, photographic material etc.; 41 cases ball bearings; 353 pkgs wheels, tyres, hardware etc; 9242 bundles box boards; 417 bags gr nut kernals; 60 cyl cocoanut oil; 191 bales tissue paper; 98 cases medicines; 89 bags graphite; 50 cases essences; 350 cases biscuits; 2567 bales paper; 3018 cases nails; 33 bkts eggs; 550 kollies hooka shells; 17163 bundles wet dates; 250 bags dry dates; 2356 bales raw cotton.

BOMBAY YARN QUOTATIONS

Bombay: Jan. 27.

Yarn No.	February	April.	June
6 1/2s.	140	142	145
10 1/2s.	153	157	161
20 1/2s.	215	221	225
40s.	287	290	292

CHICAGO WHEAT

Chicago: Jan. 26.

May	Dol.0.98 3/8
July	Dol.0.96 1/8
September	Dol.0.96 5/8

NEW YORK SUGAR.

New York: Jan. 26.

March	1.91
May	1.97
July	2.01
September	2.05

DAILY WEATHER SUMMARY.

POONA, Jan. 28.

Scattered light showers have occurred in the west Central Provinces and the Punjab Hills, Hoshangabad and Dalhousie recorded 1/4" each—A. P.

COLABA OBSERVATORY, BOMBAY.

Summary of Meteorological Observations during 24 hours ending 8 a.m. of 27-1-1940.

Change of 8 a.m. barometer in past 24 hours +.021 inches

Temperature (dry bulb) at 8 a.m. 72.4 degrees

Temperature (wet bulb) at 8 a.m. 67.0 degrees

Maximum temperature during 24 hours 82.0 degrees 0.6 (below normal)

Minimum temperature during 24 hours 69.0 degrees 2.6 (above normal)

Relative humidity at 8 a.m. 74 per cent.

Direction of wind at 8 a.m. NNE

Velocity of wind at 8 a.m. 4 miles per hour.

Total movement of wind in 24 hours 119 miles

Velocity of maximum gust of wind during 24 hours 15 miles per hour

Extent of cloud at 8 a.m. (the whole sky cloudy eq. 10) 1

OFFICIAL BAROMETER READING DATED 27-1-1940

At 8-7 a.m. local time (8-46 a.m. Indian Standard Time) and temperature 76.0 deg. F., a mercury barometer without index error at mean sea level would actually read 30.16 inches and a compensated aneroid 29.97 inches.

For correction of ships' instruments please subtract from the above official barometer reading 0.001" for every foot of elevation of the instrument above mean sea level.

EARTHQUAKE REPORT

An earthquake shock of slight intensity at its origin about 1230 miles away with its epicentre probably in the Hindukush was recorded by the seismographs at the Colaba Observatory at 20 h. 55 m. I.S.T. on 26th January, 1940.

Another shock of moderate intensity at its origin about 3800 miles away with its epicentre in or near Japan was recorded by the seismographs of the Colaba Observatory at 22 h. 44 m. I.S.T. on the same day.

SCHEDULED CLASSES' LEGITIMATE RIGHTS

Govt. Circulars To Commissioners & Collectors

The Director of Information, Bombay writes:—

The Government of Bombay has again drawn the attention of the Commissioners of Divisions, Collectors and other officers to its earlier orders that officers of Government should take all necessary steps to secure the free enjoyment of the use of public wells, tanks, etc., by the members of the scheduled castes on the same terms as persons belonging to other castes or communities. The officers have been directed not to hesitate to employ any means in their power in order to ensure to the scheduled classes the exercise of their legitimate rights whenever an opportunity occurs for securing to them free and un-hampered use of any public place.

All Collectors have been requested to submit to Government through the Commissioners concerned a report regarding the number of public wells in their districts and the number of wells where notice boards showing that they are open to all castes and communities have been put up and the number where no such boards exist. In the latter case, the Collectors have been directed to ask the local authorities concerned to put up the necessary boards and to see that they are actually put up within a reasonable period of time. The officers are requested to report to Government instances where the orders of Government have been disregarded. All revenue officers have been enjoined wherever possible during their tours, to see that the boards near wells are kept in a proper state of repair and are not tampered with.

derable interest.

ENCOURAGE INDIAN ARCHITECTURE

Sjt. Chatterjee's Appeal To Govt.

Sj. Sris Chandra Chatterjee, the well-known Architect and a Member of the National Planning Housing Committee, has issued the following statement in connection with the tributes paid by His Excellency the Marquess of Linlithgow to the traditional arts in India:—

In the midst of a confusion of thought and sociological discord in our life of to-day all lovers of Art and Culture have very gratefully appreciated the enlightened remarks of His Excellency the Viceroy made in connection with the opening of the recent annual Exhibition of the Bombay Art Society. "There is reason to hope that Indian Art will be rising to a new peak of excellence, greater than any previously attained in her long artistic tradition. Art requires patronage and encouragement." His Excellency remarked, "and it never thrives during a period of political chaos. New vigour and creative impulse are apparent in the Indian art today. Out of the struggle in which we are engaged to-day a new world will be born; a world of security and co-operation, a world in which the arts of peace can flourish."

One might suggest to His Excellency that the present curricula of the Indian Universities which generally aim at the advancement of ideals which are antagonistic to the creation of love to the Mankind and the healthy spirit of brotherly co-operation, might be modified by introducing the study of Art and Architecture in general and that of Indian Art and Architecture in particular, so as to foster in the minds of Indian youths creative intuition for Beauty and Harmony. If Indian Architecture, the Mother of all Fine Arts and Crafts, was given her rightful place in Indian University education and the same was encouraged through actual building constructions in Indian styles a large number of Indian students could be enabled to cultivate national fine arts and subsequently engage themselves to constructive works on Indian Architectural Arts and Industries.

Will not His Excellency the Viceroy do something tangible for making Indian Art once again the living factor in the life of the Indians?

OUR READERS' VIEWS

Parle-Andheri Municipal Election

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—There are three candidates at the Vile Parle Municipal by-election for 'D' ward Mrs. Chantabai Chunilal Barfivala, Mr. Joseph DeMello and Mr. Shantaram N. Patil. Propaganda from interested quarters is carried on against the candidature of Mrs. Shantabai because her husband Mr. Barfivala happens to be a Congressman. One of the candidates has little public activity at Andheri to commend his name to the voters. His supporters are however trying to raise political and caste and communal jealousies at Andheri to prejudice the voters of Mrs Barfivala. These supporters further revel in attacking Mr. Shantaram Patil in a manner that does no credit to the writers. I am here concerned with the false propaganda carried on against Mrs. Shantabai Barfivala's candidature. The facts about her are that for the last eight years she was not able on account of her health to take a hand on the public life of Andheri and had to confine her activities to the Andheri Mahila Mandal, which is the biggest association at Andheri, looking to the number and status of ladies that are on the roll of the association. She is the Secretary of the Association. Prior to this period, Mrs. Shantabai was familiar and the most active public worker at Andheri. Her political activities led to her arrest and imprisonment. During those turbulent days there was hardly a public meeting at which she did not preside or was not a principal speaker. In the field of Gujerati literature, she is known by her two works 'Raskunj' and Musical Notations of the Garbas. These works occupy the foremost position in that class of literature to which they belong. The introduction to these works are written by the three greatest Gujerati writers known to our generation viz. Mahakavi Nanalal Dalpatram, Prof. Narsingrao Bholanath and Shrijut Meghani. I am not mentioning her other social activities because they are not relevant to the purpose.

I have no doubt that Andheri voters will not be guided by any communal or political bogies which are sought to be raised to cloud the issues. The cry of minority protection is raised without any statement of the facts of the case. It is conveniently suppressed that a seat in the ward is reserved for our Moslem friends and that no seat is reserved for a lady as is the case in Vile Parle and that out of the remaining twenty-five seats, five seats are in the hands of Christians and only one is occupied by a lady member. Is this what the supporters of Mr. DeMello call fairness? I hope better wisdom will prevail with the voters who are requested to be careful about the sinister propaganda to arouse communal discord which is so far obscure at Andheri.—Yours, etc.,

'FAIR PLAY.'

Andheri, Jan. 27.

II

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—There is to be shortly a by-election in the Parle-Andheri Municipality due to the disqualification of Dr. Bala Patel. There are three candidates in the field viz.: Mrs. C. B. Barafivala; Mr. Joseph P D'Mello; and Mr. Shantaram N. Patel. They are all standing as Independent candidates. It is highly surprising that Mrs. Barafivala also is standing as an Independent candidate. Obviously Mr. Barafivala her husband, who is a Congressman and the President of the Municipal Board of the above suburbs is seeking to get her on the Board by a convenient door ultimately to assist the Congress Party there. His electioneering art has displayed itself at its best, for Mrs. Barafivala might thus carry the Congress-minded voters along with her as well as lay a claim upon even Independent votes.

But I want to submit a plain Congress case, viz; that a visible proof of Congress 'bona-fide' to the support of minority claim must be given now when an opportunity has been offered. Much suspicion is indicated by minorities against the Congress in the matter of power in our democratic institutions. It needs to be dispelled by Congress whenever an opportunity arises. Here is one. I appeal to all concerned to register their votes in favour of Mr. Joseph P. D'Mello, a representative of minority interests.—Yours, etc.,

SUBURBAN CONGRESSMAN.

Wanted Free Muslim Hospital

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—It is a great shame that the Muslim community of Bombay should have no free hospital of its own. One of the best forms of Charities is medical relief to the poor suffering humanity. It seems the Muslims have not as yet realised the importance of this humane social work. Other communities realised it long ago and have their free hospitals and free dispensaries not only for their respective communities but have extended their hands of mercy towards other communities. The Parsees though very small in number own several free hospitals for their community and in comparison the Muslims should have had many by this time. But Alas! they own not one.

The poor and the people of middle circumstances of the community are left to suffer in silence or to seek the hospitality and charity of other communities. Those who had an opportunity to visit free hospitals in the city must have shed tears at the sight of their brothers and sisters living on the charity of non-Muslims. Surely such a state of affairs is most shameful for the community for it is derogatory to their self-respect.

It is high time that the Muslims should organise and find out means to build a free Muslim Hospital and remove a great blot from the good name of the Muslims of Bombay.—Yours, etc.

AJANOO.

A Radio Mystery

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—Madame Sophia Wadia, was to broadcast a talk on "Non-Violence and Truth" in the "Way Out" series, at 8-35 p.m., on Tuesday the 23rd instant. Instead an announcement was made that she was unable to deliver the talk and so it was cancelled. To-day, however, another radio announcement has been made which seems to show that the talk was cancelled for some entirely different reasons. This seems to be a mystery. Will the A. I. R. or Madame Wadia or someone else help to enlighten us on the subject?—Yours etc.

A LISTENER.

24-1-40.

"Mr. Jinnah In Melodrama"

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—The nation will be thankful for Shri Karaka's comments in Tuesday's "Chronicle".

Mahatma Gandhi has taught the nation Self-respect and Self-reliance and this is quite enough.

It is the duty of the nation to follow him in getting the freedom of the country.—Yours, etc.,

AVANTIKA GOKHALAY.

Cutch Castle,
Bombay, Jan. 24.

REPORTS ON SUKKUR RIOTS

Prov. Hindu Sabha Contradicts Government Report

KARACHI, Jan. 27.

The "United Press" learns that the Sind Provincial Hindu Sabha is preparing a full report on the loss of life and property in the recent riots in Sukkur and neighbouring talukas, which will be published shortly. A similar report is also being prepared by the Sind Congress authorities.

Mr. Bhojraj Ajwani, Secretary of the Sind Provincial Hindu Sabha, in a statement to the Press says that the official figures published by the Sind Government recently are not complete and make an astonishing reading. For example, he says, the figures given by the Government are only 20 Hindus killed at Sukkur while, according to him, the actual figures were 35 killed and 10 burnt.

Similarly, not less than 194 houses and shops were gutted down in Sukkur, whereas the official report mentioned only 89 houses and shops. Several godowns, timber mandis, and also temples were burnt down at Sukkur and their damage calculated at Rs. 20 lakhs, and not Rs. 1 lakh only as shown by the Government.—United Press.

MADRAS M.L.C.'s SUDDEN COLLAPSE

Mr. Giri's Father Succumbs To Heart-Failure

MADRAS, Jan. 28.

Mr. V. Jogiah, Pantulu, M.L.C., father of Mr. V. V. Giri (ex-Minister) died of heart-failure at Mysore last evening.

Mr. Jogiah Pantulu had accompanied his son Mr. Giri who proceeded to Mysore yesterday to deliver an address on January 25 on Industrial Planning under the auspices of the Mysore University. They were having tea with some Congress friends when he suddenly collapsed resting his head on his son's lap.—A. P.

MOTOR CAR KNOCKS DOWN A CYCLIST.

BOMBAY, Sunday.

Purushottam Ramachandra aged 27 years was going on a cycle along Love Grove Road last night when a motor car (number 3950) moving by the same direction struck the right side of the cycle and knocked the cyclist down. The cyclist was immediately removed in an unconscious state to the K. E. M. Hospital where he died at 1-30 a.m.

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fourth through the third and so on.

The schedule states that where every owner in a series owns the whole of the ordinary share capital of the Company to which it is directly related, the first owner shall be deemed to own through the intermediary or chain of intermediaries the whole of the ordinary share capital of the last owned company. Elucidating this, the schedules defines a "series" as any number of companies of which the first directly owns ordinary share capital of the next and the next directly owns ordinary share capital of the next but one, and so on, and if they are more than three, any three or more of them. A "first owner" is defined as that company which owns ordinary shares capital of another through the remainder, and the "last owned company" is defined and that other company the ordinary share capital of which is so owned.

The schedule also deals with cases where companies own fractions of the ordinary share capital of another through other companies and the methods by which the amount of ordinary share capital owned in this way by such companies is ascertained.—A. P.

Excess Profits Bill

Schedule 2: Rules For Computing Average Amount Of Capital

NEW DELHI, Jan. 27.

Schedule two of the Excess Profits Bill, giving rules for computing the average amount of capital, states that subject to certain provisions of the schedule the average amount of the capital employed in a business (so far as it does not consist of money) shall be taken to be:—(a) so far as it consist of assets acquired by purchase on or after the commencement of the business, the price at which those assets were acquired, (b) so far as it consists of assets being debts due to the person carrying on the business, the nominal amount of these debts, and (c) so far as it consists of any other assets which have been acquired otherwise that by purchase as above, the value of the assets when they became assets of the business. The computations in all the above cases are subject to certain deductions given in the Schedule, one of which states that subject to a number of provisions any borrowed money or debts shall be deducted, and in particular any debt for income-tax or super-tax or for excess profits-tax in respect of the business shall deducted.

Clause six. (1) for the purposes of this Act, the standard profits of a business in relation to any chargeable accounting period shall, subject to the provisions of sub-sections (3) and (4), be—

(A) Where the business was in existence before the 31st day of March, 1936, an amount bearing to the profits of the business during the standard period the same proportions the chargeable accounting period bears to the standard period; provided that if the average amount of capital employed in the business during such chargeable accounting period is greater or less than the average amount of capital employed during the standard period, such amount shall be increased or decreased, as the case may be, by an amount calculated by applying the statutory percentage to the amount of such increase or decrease;

(B) In any other case, an amount calculated by applying the statutory percentage to the average amount of capital employed in the business during such chargeable accounting period.

(2) For the purposes of this section the standard period shall at the option of the person carrying on the business, be—

(A) The "previous year" as determined under section 2 of Indian Income-tax Act, 1922, for the purpose of the Income-tax assessment for the year ending on the 31st day of March, 1937, or the previous year as so determined for the year ended on the 31st day of March, 1938;

(b) The "previous year" as so determined for the year ended on the 31st day of March, 1937, and that for the year ended on the 31st day of March, 1939, or

(c) The "Previous year" as so determined for the year ended on the 31st day of March, 1938, and that for the year ended on the 31st day of March, 1939.

(3) If, within the period specified in the notice issued under sub-section (1) of section 13, the person carrying on the business, being a business to which clause (a) of sub-section (1) applies, makes an application to the excess profits tax officer in this behalf, the Excess Profits Tax Officer shall refer the application to the Board of Referees, and if the Board is satisfied that during the standard period the profits of the business were less than might then have been reasonably expected, it may direct that the standard profits shall be computed as if the profits during the standard period were such greater amount as it thinks just:

Provided that where the person carrying on the business is a company such amount shall not exceed the amount sufficient to provide dividends for the standard period—

(a) On the paid-up ordinary share capital of the company, at the rate of six per cent. per annum;

(b) On any other paid-up share capital of the company, at the fixed rate per annum payable thereon,

Unless the Board is satisfied that owing to some specific cause peculiar to the business, it is just that a greater amount should be allowed.

(4) The standard profits shall be taken to be Rs. 20,000 in any case in which the standard profits computed in accordance with sub-section (1) are less than this sum:

Provided that if the chargeable accounting period is greater or less than one year the sum of Rs. 20,000 shall for the purpose of this sub-section be increased or decreased proportionately.

Clause seven.—Where a deficiency of profits occurs in any chargeable accounting period in any business, the profits of the business chargeable with excess profits tax shall be deemed to be reduced, and relief shall be granted in accordance with the following provisions:—

(A) The aggregate amount of the profits so chargeable for the previous chargeable accounting periods shall be deemed to be reduced by the amount of the deficiency of profits and the amount of excess profits tax payable in respect thereof shall be deemed to be reduced accordingly, and the relief necessary to give effect to the reduction shall be given by repayment or otherwise;

(B) Where the amount of the deficiency of profits exceeds the aggregate amount of the profits chargeable for the previous chargeable accounting periods, the balance of the deficiency of profits shall be applied in reducing any profits so chargeable for the next subsequent chargeable accounting period, and if and so far as it exceeds the amount of those profits any profits so chargeable for the next subsequent chargeable accounting period and so on.

Section 13 of the Excess Profits Bill to which reference is made in section six reads as follows:—

13. (1) The Excess Profits Tax Officer may, for the purposes of this Act, require any person whom he believes to be engaged in any business to which this Act applies, or to have been so engaged during any chargeable accounting period, or to be otherwise liable to pay excess profits tax, to furnish within such period, not being less than 30 days, as may be specified in the notice, a return in the prescribed form and verified in the prescribed manner setting forth (along with such other particulars as may be provided for in the notice), with respect to any chargeable accounting period specified in the notice, the profits of the business as computed in accordance with the provisions of section 6 or the amount of deficiency available for relief under section 7:

Provided that the Excess Profits Tax Officer may, in his discretion, extend the date for the delivery of the return.

(2) The Excess Profits Tax Officer may serve on any person, upon whom a notice has been served under sub-sectoon (1), a notice requiring him on a date to be therein specified to produce, or cause to be produced, such accounts or documents as the Excess Profits Tax Officer may require, and may from time to time serve further notices in like manner requiring the production of such further accounts or documents or other evidence as he may require.

Schedule three of the Bill gives rules for determining the amount of capital held by a company through other companies. It explains that where, in the case of a number of companies, the first directly owns ordinary share capital of the second, and the second directly owns share capital of the third, then, for the purposes of the schedule, the first shall be deemed to own ordinary share capital of the third through the second, if the (second) and, if the third directly owns share capital of a fourth, the first shall be deemed to own ordinary share capital of the fourth through the second and third, and the second shall be deemed to own ordinary share capital of the

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Lowtide: 9-08, 21-05
Sunrise: 7h. 15m.
Sunset: 6h. 30m.

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF SOCIOLOGY.

The first meeting of the new Managing Committee will be held to-day (Monday) at 6 p.m. in the Institute's Hall.

LECTURE AT BLAVATSKY LODGE

Mr. R. M. Alpaiwala will lecture in English with Lantern Slides at the Theosophical Society, Blavatsky Lodge Hall, French Bridge, Chowpatty, to-day (Monday) at 6-30 p.m. (S.T.) on "The Survival of the Fittest".

WINTER LECTURE SERIES:

The seventh lecture of the winter lectures series will be delivered to-day (Monday) at Phadke Wadi, Vithalbhai Patel Road, at 6-30 p.m. when Mr. P. R. Lele, will speak on "The Present World War" (2nd lecture).

MAHOMEDBHOY DISPENSARY.

"The number of new patients treated at the Mahomedbhoy Rahimtulla Free Dispensary at Sandhurst Road, for the week ending 20th January 1940 was 273: of these 168 were males and 105 females".

CRICKET CLUB OF INDIA

The Cricket Club of India remained closed on Saturday, the 27th January as a mark of respect to the late Mr. R. E. Grant Govan, the first President of the Club who died on 26th January.

DR. H. DE SA SILVER JUBILEE PRIZE

The last date for receiving the thesis for the above Prize for 1939-40 by the Hon. Secretaries, Bombay Obstetric and Gynaecological Society, Empire Automobile Building, Queen's Road, Bombay, has been fixed for the 15th March 1940.

GHATKOPAR'S DONATION TO POONA CONGRESS HOUSE

Sjt. Dwarkadas Haridas Vakharia of (Messrs. Popatlal Ghelabhai and Co.) has donated Rs. 1,501 (one thousand five hundred and one) towards the expenses of the Poona Congress House Terrace.

JUNAGADH AS CENTRE FOR COMMERCIAL EXAMINATIONS

The Commercial Examination Board of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Bombay, have fixed Junagadh as a Centre for their 1940 Commercial Examinations which will commence on April 29.

POSTAL NOTICE

It is hereby notified that the restrictions imposed on the booking of insured articles for and from the following offices in the Bihar and Orissa Circle have since been withdrawn:—

(1) Supaul S. O. ..... Under the Bhagalpur H. O.

(2) All branch offices in account with the above sub office.

W. I. A. A.'s TELEPHONE AT BALLARD PIER KIOSK

The W. I. A. A. has instituted a telephone at their kiosk at Ballard Pier where a Road Patrol who is in attendance an hour before and after the arrival of a steamer answers all enquiries as regarding steamers and shipping and clearance of cars, the Customs procedure, etc.

The number of the kiosk telephone is 23444.

THANA CONGRESS COMMITTEE.

The annual general meeting of the Thana Town Congress Committee will be held on Sunday the 4th February 1940 at 4 p.m. in the District School Board Hall to adopt the audited accounts and Annual report and to elect the Office bearers and the Executive.

"WORK OF ARDIBESHT AMSHASHPAND IN UNIVERSE"

At the Hall on the 3rd floor of Dadyseth House, Cowasji Patel Street, today (Monday) at 6-30 p.m., (S.T.), Mr. Jehangir Sorabji Chinivala, Advocate will give his 24th discourse on "Cosmogenesis Work of Ardibesht Amshashpand in the Universe" All Parsis are cordially invited to attend.

ALL MAHARASHTRA CONGRESS YOUTH CONFERENCE

The Secretary of the A. M. C. Youth Conference writes:—

The first session of the All Maharashtra Congress Youth Conference will be held in the second week of February in Bombay (Dadar). For delegates and Reception Committee receipt books and for other information write to Secretary, A. M. Congress Youth Conference, C/o 'G' Ward District Congress Committee, opposite B. B. and C. I. Railway Station, Dadar, Bombay.

BOMBAY NORTH & SUBURBAN SECONDARY TEACHERS' ASSN.

The Bombay North and Suburban Secondary Teachers' Association will hold a week's Refresher Course sometime between 29th April to 10th of May 1940. The Course will consist of talk and seminars on educational topics. The social side too will not be neglected. Detailed programme will be announced later on. Interested persons can seek information from the General Secretary of the Association.

DNYAN—PRASARAK MANDALI.

A public lecture in Gujarati will be delivered under the auspices of the above Society to-day, (Monday) at 6 p.m. (S.T.), at "Sir Jivanji Mody Memorial Hall", "K. R. Cama Oriental Institute," Apollo Street, Fort, by Dr. Shapurji Ardeshir Banker, M.D. on "Progress of Medical Science." The lecture will be illustrated by the Lantern, charts, etc.

Dr. Sir Hangaldas V. Mehta, Kt., F.R.C.S. will preside.

DEATH OF MR. M. K. PATIL

The death occurred on Wednesday last of Mr. Moreshwar K. Patil, Secretary of the Samartha Vyayam Mandir, Dadar. Mr. Patil was one of the founders of this Institution and for the last 12 years he was its Secretary During the period he untiringly worked for its betterment. It is in a large degree due to his efforts that the Institution to-day is one of the foremost Institutions imparting instruction in physical culture in Bombay. He believed in silent work and shunned all publicity. His untimely death is a great loss to the institution and to the public of Dadar.

Amusements Of The Day

CAPITOL—"Tower of London". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"Tower of London". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
METRO—"Ninotchka". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"Young Man's Fancy". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"The Lion Has Wings." Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
PALACE—"Juarez". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
PATHE—"Mud". Daily at 4-15, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Kangan". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
NEW WEST END—"Will". Daily at 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m.
MINERVA—"Pukar". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Jawani-Ki-Reet". Daily at 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Ghazi Salahuddin". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Acchut". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Admi". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"My Beloved". Daily at 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m.
PLAZA—"Raja Gopichand". Time as usual.

HOME FOR MENTALLY DEFICIENT CHILDREN

Dr. P. C. Bharucha's Donation

Dr. P. C. Bharucha, ex-Sheriff of Bombay, very generously placed at the disposal of the Governor of Bombay the sum of Rs. 5,000 to be used for charitable purposes. In consultation with Dr. Bharucha His Excellency has decided to allot Rs. 3,000 to the scheme for a Home for Mentally Deficient Children now being organised by the Children's Aid Society and the balance (Rs. 2,000) to the Red Cross Appeal which has recently been launched.

Annual Inter-Collegiate Sports

The Thirteenth Bombay Annual Inter-Collegiate Sports will be held on the ground of the Brabourne Stadium to-day (Monday) commencing at 2-30 p.m.

The Hon'ble Mr. Justice H. V. Divatia will preside and give away the Trophies and Prizes.

Thana Municipality's Plea For Hegde

(From Our Correspondent.)

THANA, Jan. 23.

The General Board of the Thana Municipality in its meeting held on Saturday passed a resolution requesting the Collector of Thana and other officers concerned to permit Mr. M. V. Hegde the President of the Municipality to continue as such and to remain a member for the unexpired term of the triennium, in the interests of the town. Mr. Hegde it may be recalled has been recently appointed as a Government Pleader and Public Prosecutor for Thana and Bombay Suburban District and as such he cannot continue to remain as a member of the Municipality, under the rules framed by the Government for its Law Officers.

B. P. HINDU SABHA GETS ACTIVE

The Jt. Hon. Secretary, the Bombay Provincial Hindu Sabha, Dadar, writes:—

At a meeting of the Working Committee of the Bombay Provincial Hindu Sabha held at Dadar under the chairmanship of Rao Bahadur S. K. Bole on Monday last. Several Sub-Committees were formed, important of them being the Hindu Militia Sub-Committee and the Propaganda Sub-Committee and Finance Committee to take up the programme chalked out by the All-India Hindu Mahasabha at its Calcutta Session.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS.

Bombay, Jan. 27.

Lady Lumley presided at a Ladies Committee Meeting of the Bombay Presidency Indian Red Cross Appeal at Government House.

H. H. The Raja of Sawantwadi, H. H. The Regent Rani of Sawantwadi, Raj Kumari Hemlata Raje of Sawantwadi and Staff Officer to H. H. The Raja of Sawantwadi lunched at Government House.

The Governor of Bombay and Lady Lumley attended the Bombay Sailing Association's Annual Regatta.

The Governor of Bombay attended by Mr. J. B. Irwin, Secretary to the Governor and Major F. D. Richardson Aide-de-Camp left Bombay on tour.

BOMBAY PORT TRUST

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Port of Bombay held on 23rd January 1940, the Audited Accounts for the half year ended 30th September 1939 were approved for submission to Government.

Proposals for the re-organisation of the Establishment and Provident Fund Branch of the Accounts Department, entailing the raising of the status of the officer in charge of the Branch to Junior Assistant Accountant and the creation of a post of Head Clerk, were approved in view of the considerable increase in the volume and importance of the work in recent years.

Subject to the necessary sanction of Government, sanction was accorded to a revised estimate of Rs. 1.52 lakhs for renewing rails and sleepers on the B. P. T. Railway, and to supplementary estimates of Rs. 6,800 and Rs. 44,300 respectively for repairs to the steam tug "Charles Anderson" and to the caisson stops and staircases of Hughes Dry Dock in the masonry of which deterioration had set in due to the action of salt water on the lime mortar.

Bareilly's Contribution For Turkish Fund

(From Our Correspondent).

BAREILLY, Jan. 21.

The Municipal Board, Bareilly, has contributed Rs. 650, for the Turkish Earthquake Relief Fund. A further sum raised by Tehsildar for the Turkish Earthquake Relief now totals Rs. 700.

MOMIN (VICTORIA) TURKISH RELIEF FUND

The Secretary of Momin Turkish Relief Fund writes:—

It was decided to earmark the total income of 25th January 1940 of 46 Hotels and 100 taxis towards the Turkish Relief Fund. We, therefore, regretfully bring it to the notice of the public that the hotel scheme was put into practice but that of taxi, owing to unexpected circumstances, has been postponed to a date which will be announced later on.

JAMIAT SHUBBAN'S APPEAL FOR TURKISH RELIEF

The Executive Council of Jamiat Shubban Al-Muslimeen resolved to send their sympathies to the President of Turkey for 'quake disaster. The Executive Council appeals to the entire Muslim community and to the every Shubbanite to contribute his mite to the fund started for the relief of Turkey.

BOY SCOUTS FOR MOTHERLAND'S SERVICE

Sardar Patel's Appeal At Gowalia Tank Rally

BOMBAY, Sunday.

More than 3,000 boy-scouts and girl-scouts gathered at Gowalia Tank this morning on the occasion of a rally of the Hindustan Scout Association.

Among those present were Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Hon. Mr. Mangaldas Pakvasa and Pandit Hridayanath Kunzru. Justice Somjee presided.

Sardar Patel accompanied by Justice Somjee and others inspected the rally after which there were demonstrations and display by boy and the girl scouts.

The President and Sardar Patel were welcomed by Prof. V. G. Rao, Prov. Scout Commissioner. He also gave a brief resume of the activities of the provincial organisation.

The Hon. Mr. Mangaldas Pakvasa dwelt for sometime on the ideals of scouting and how the disciplining influence of the scout movement could be of great national service.

Sardar Patel was lustily cheered when he rose to speak. He told the gathering how the scouts could best serve the motherland and how scouting inculcated the lessons of unselfish service. He expressed his pleasure at the opportunity afforded him to visit the rally.

Mrs. Taraben Manecklal Premchand and Mrs. Shafi Tyabji, spoke on the ideals for which girl-scouts should strive.

Other speakers were Mr. M. C. Chagla, Dr. Bhagwat and Dr. Kunzru who stressed the need to improve the girl-scout activities.

The rally ended with the national song.

SPECIAL CLASSES FOR AIR RAID INSTRUCTORS.

Under the auspices of the Parsi Ambulance Division, St. John Ambulance Brigade Overseas, a series of a Special Class for Air Raid Instructors' Course will commence at Lady Willingdon Building, Opposite Metro Cinema, Esplanade Maidan, from Tuesday (30th inst.) at 6-15 p.m.

The Course consists of about 12 lectures, twice a week, every Tuesday and Friday at 6-30 p.m. illustrated by Charts, Models, Diagrams, Slides, etc., and practical demonstrations will be given for Sand Bagging, Incendiary and High Explosive Bombs with different Types of Respirators and Gas-Chamber Training which is first of its type for Civilians use. Enrolment began on Thursday 25th inst. and continues daily between 6-30 p.m. to 7-30 p.m.

Late Messrs. Gadkari & Deshmukh

A meeting to condole the deaths of Mr. A. R. Gadkari, Advocate and Mr. D. V. Deshmukh, Small Causes Judge, Poona, was held on Saturday evening, at Dadar in "Datatraya Laxman Vidya Hall" under the presidentship of Sir Govindrao Pradhan. Mr. Wamanrao Pradhan, Advocate moved the condolence resolution for Mr. Gadkari saying that Mr. Gadkari in spite of his heavy professional work used to devote time for the social work of the Community. Mr. V. G. Mokashi seconding the resolution described the various activities for the Community that Mr. Gadkari did. The president in his concluding speech referred to the various qualities of Mr. Gadkari and said that the C. K. P. Community has suffered a great loss by his death.

The Chair then moved the resolution about Mr. D. V. Deshmukh and referred to his talents and various activities and the name he had acquired as a Judge. Mr. V. D. Kotwal spoke on the resolution. Both the resolutions were passed and after authorising the president to forward the resolutions to the respective relatives as the meeting was concluded.

Twelve Convicted

(From Our Correspondent.)

THANA, Jan. 23.

Mr. A. K. Phadkar, Additional Sessions Judge, Thana delivered judgement to-day in a murder and riot case, accepting the unanimous verdict of 'guilty' under Sec. 325 I. P. C. by the jury in respect of 12 out of 13 Agri residents of Nagaon, a village in Kalyan Taluka, who were committed to the Sessions for the alleged offences of murder, rioting house trespass, etc. The Judge acquitted one of the accused and sentenced the remaining, to various terms of rigorous imprisonment ranging from one year to five years.

Seth Mathuradas Vassonji Khimji, the New Sheriff of Bombay.

CHOOSING YOUR PICTURES

Some Suggestions

Under the auspices of the Nation's League of Pen-Friends, Mr. K. A. Abbas delivered a lecture on 'How to see films?' He observed that there are as many why's and how's to see a film as here are film-goers—some go to break the monotony of a hard, weary life, some to escape the tyranny of a petticoat government at home, and some, though very few, indeed go to pictures for enlightenment. Every cine-goer has got his own method of selecting his film. Some base their judgment mainly on the cast and love to see the particular stars they adore. Some prefer to be thrilled by adventurous deeds, some focus their attention only on the songs regard'ess of any other qualities. Some like love affairs, some like thrills and others prefer to see the present day sociological problems treated on the screen.

TECHNICIANS' NAMES.

When one goes to a picture one should study the names of technicians. Selecting a film from the names of stars is often a misleading procedure. The actors and the actresses themselves play a not so very important part in the success of a film which depends much on the capabilities of the Director. Various Director specialized in various types of roles. For example Devaki Bose surpasses almost everyone in directing films depicting the glories of ancient India while Shantaram liked to take up progressive social themes.

LATTER DAY DEVELOPMENTS.

Comparing the Indian films with the foreign ones, Mr. Abbas remarked that the success of the latter in India was mainly due to their superior equipments. They lag much behind in the matter of story value and in their social significance. Almost every Indian picture aims at showing the fundamental realities of life as vividly as possible, but the Westerners handle these things lightly.

By causing a country-wide cultural upsurge, the national movement started by Mahatma Gandhi has considerably improved the Indian films, which are now not only artistically better but also are increasingly tackling vital social problems (e.g. untouchability) on the screen.

In reply to a question, Mr. Abbas admitted that often cine-goers missed the suspense and the surprise element in a film if they read the story before seeing it.

Mile-Stone In India's Progress

SARDAR PATEL LAYS FOUNDATION OF HANSRAJ MORARJI PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDING AT ANDHERI

The barren stretch of wasteland, west of Gilbert Hill, Andheri, hummed and bustled with activity on Sunday when Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel laid the foundation stone of the Hansraj Morarji Public School Building.

In doing so Sardar Patel said that the Governance of Free India, would be on the shoulders of those who were students today. For that mighty task they would have to be trained and equipped in schools such as the one whose foundation stone was being laid that day.

A large and distinguished gathering was present on the occasion, prominent among whom were Sir Chunilal Mehta, Sir Ishwardas Lakhsmidas, the Hon. Mr. Mangaldas Pakvasa, Messrs. Morarji Desai, M. Y. Nurie, Mathurdas Visanji Khimji, Mathurdas Tricumji, Pranlal Devakran Nanjee, V. L. Mehta and Father Palacio.

Dewan Bahadur Krishnalal M. Jhaveri on behalf of the Bai Kabibai and Hansraj Morarji Charity Trust in welcoming the guests traced the history of the trust.

Sheth Hansraj Morarji was a Cutchi Bhatia by caste. He made a fortune of lakhs in the jute and hessian trade. During his life time he had started a charitable dispensary at Vadgadi and a Sanatorium at Ghatkopar. Sheth Hansraj died in 1914 bequething all his property to his wife Bai Kabibai. She died in 1922 leaving her entire property of Rs. 25 lakhs in trust for charity.

In March, 1930, the High Court laid a scheme for the management of the trust. The scheme included the starting of a Residential School. A school was started last June in three rented bungalows. Later a site of 130 acres was acquired and the sanction of the High Court was obtained to spend Rs. 4,62,000 to put up a building for the school.

PUBLIC SCHOOL IDEA

Mr. K. M. Munshi, one of the trustees, said that the idea of starting a school on the lines of the English Public School had been conceived as long ago as 1928. The late Mr. S. R. Das had tried to start such a school but could not succeed.

Public Schools had played a great part in English public life. The Public School system was only a new name to what was known as the "Gurukul" system in ancient India. He had come into contact with men educated in ordinary schools and in Public Schools. The latter left a peculiar stamp on their students.

It was their aim not merely to impart knowledge but to shape the character and moral life of the students. He felt confident that the experiment would prove very profitable to the country.

MILE-STONE IN PROGRESS

Sardar Patel in the course of his speech said that in one sense, the school was to be an imitation of the English Public school. The English people had established a mighty Empire and

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were great in trade and commerce. It was a feature of their culture to increase their material wealth and obtain as much happiness as possible. "But our own culture aimed at minimising our needs and was highly spiritual. Even if we want our culture to spread we must achieve our freedom and win our rightful place in the world.

He hoped that the founding of the school would be one of the mile-stones in the march of India's progress.

The Hon. Mr. Justice H. V. Divatia in proposing a vote of thanks said that present day schools only increased knowledge without enlarging the vision of the students. That was because the large number of students in each class ruled out all personal contact between the teacher and the taught. Their aim was to bring about the unfolding of the character and personality of the students by the close contact and direct personal influence of the teachers.

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WOMEN AND SWARAJ

The Indian Women's Conference, which is now holding its fourteenth annual session at Allahabad, has done much all these years to organise Indian women in the service of their cause. And recently it has taken considerable interest in the wider national problems of the country, changing even its constitution to permit such an extension of its activities. Mrs. Vijayaluxmi Pandit, Chairwoman of the Reception Committee, remarked in her address: "This Conference has so far been mainly confined to social and educational problems and has rightly kept away from politics. There is, however, a difference between political issues and national ones and we must not allow ourselves to be confused. Our outlook must be national in the right sense of the word and we must try to think in national terms. The Conference will have justified its existence if by the work it can show the world that Indian women are working for the betterment of the Indian nation and are not confined to narrow sectional limits." We wholeheartedly endorse the plea for national outlook, but we wonder how all political issues can be "rightly kept away." In the first place, as Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru made out in his address to the Conference, national activities cannot be divided into watertight compartments. Secondly, at a juncture like the present it is the duty of institutions like the Women's Conference to do their bit in the non-violent struggle for national freedom.

Need For Political Power

Begum Hamid, in her presidential address feelingly remarked: "I would remind our brothers that they cannot, and will not, gain Swaraj until they have set their house in order and given one-half of the population of India its due share of rights and privileges." Many of the men fighting for Swaraj are fully alive to the social and political rights of women. But, speaking generally, these rights can be a reality only if safeguarded by law, and legislation to safeguard them is not easy in a Central Legislature like the present. It is reasonable to hope that a Swaraj Parliament will take the earliest opportunity to concede to women their legitimate but long denied rights. This will be easier if women play their part in the struggle for freedom and exercise their vote with greater discrimination than they have done so far. Speaking of the immediate duty of women, the President rightly observed: "Now, as never before, is the need for us women to get together and give a lead to the country to show a unity which has no mental reservations, to hold the good of the country above any other consideration."

Equal Partners

It should not be difficult for the Conference to devise programmes of work—we know the Conference will not be content with passing resolutions—by which women can best serve the country in the present crisis. The President formulated a sound general principle when she said that it was time women came "out of their conventional grooves." And she pertinently added: "If we, the thinking women, associate with the labouring classes closely, there is much less likelihood of embittered relations marring the quiet and peaceful atmosphere which it will be our endeavour to create." As regards a specific programme, the Constructive Programme of the Congress should admirably suit the Women's Conference. In popularising khaddar and prohibition, in the removal of untouchability and in promoting communal goodwill women can excel men, once they venture to "come out of their conventional grooves." "Equal Partners, in non-violent War and Peace" is not a bad motto for women.

Increase In Crime

A disquieting increase in crime of various kinds is disclosed by the Police Administration Report of the Province of Bombay for the year 1938. As the year was entirely during the regime of the Congress Ministry, the increase is surprising and the explanation of the Inspector-General of Police needs to be carefully examined. He attributes the increase to the following causes: (1) increase in work connected with motor vehicles without a corresponding increase in the force to cope with the work; (2) shortage of magistrates and police prosecutors; and (3) "unwarranted and exaggerated complaints against police officers." The causes under the first two heads may be left to be considered by the authorities concerned. But the last cause demands more serious notice.

Says the Inspector-General: "Numerous complaints and allegations were made against all ranks of the police," says the Inspector-General. "No district police officer resents a genuine and true complaint on which a straightforward enquiry can be held and the delinquent dealt with. It is the unwarranted and exaggerated allegations which cause serious trouble. Amongst officers of the sub-inspector's rank, such allegations have created a feeling of nervousness and uneasiness. If an officer in the execution of his normal duties is to be hampered and deterred [illegible] or is apt to be criticised and found fault with for no good reasons, it is not unnatural that he will be reluctant to use his utmost energies in the execution of those duties. He has become apprehensive, lest at any moment he may have to answer a charge anonymous or difficult to defend owing to the exaggeration and falseness of the statements made. Amongst senior officers the result of these complaints has been the expenditure of considerable time investigating them. Instead of attending to their normal duties relating to the supervision and detection of crime, the attention of these officers has been side-tracked into making these enquiries." It is possible that many who dared not complain under the old regime seized the opportunity to do so under the new one when the highest police officers encouraged the public to regard the police as their servants rather than as their bosses. It is also probable that the public co-operated with the police more than before in the reporting and the detection of crime. And it is equally probable that the police, too, had to be more efficient in detecting and receiving reports of crime. We think this is a fairer explanation of the increase in the reported crime than the officer's "reluctance to use his utmost energies" in the execution of his duties because of actual or possible complaints. No officer should deem himself above criticism.

Excess Profits Tax

By R. K. DALAL, B.Com., F.S.A.A. R.A.

The Government of India have decided to levy a tax on excess profits. A comprehensive Bill embodying the Government's decisions has been published in the "Gazette of India" so that the public opinion may express itself and the stage of circulating the Bill for opinion may be dispensed with. The Government of India Act Amendment Bill has specifically empowered the Government of India to introduce such legislation in India. As the Bill is generally on the lines of the English Bill, it will be opportune to give here a short outline of the English Excess Profits Tax.

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In order to finance and assist in the prosecution of War the Government of England passed and put last year on the Statute Book a tax called the Excess Profits Tax. The new tax amounts to 3·5th or 60 per cent. of the excess profits over the standard of pre-war profits. Though broadly speaking the tax follows the principle of the old Excess Profits Duty, there are certain important features which are entirely new.

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The tax is chargeable on the actual profits of all trades or businesses arising from 1-4-1939 and will be assessed on the basis of the tax payer's own accounting periods. Investment and property owning companies are to be regarded as carrying on a trade or business for the purposes of Excess Profits Tax. A profession is not deemed to be trade, provided it does not consist wholly or mainly in the making of contracts on behalf of other persons or the giving of advice of a commercial nature in connection with the making of such contracts. It is to be noted that all trades carried on by the same person are to be treated as one. In the case of limited companies subsidiary companies, whether or not resident or carrying on business in the United Kingdom, will be merged with the parent company for the purpose of computing capital or profits.

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The Excess Profits Tax is to be measured by relation to pre-war standard of profits. The minimum standard of profits prescribed is £1,000, and in the case of partnerships and Companies, in which directors have a controlling interest, the minimum standard is such a sum, not exceeding £3,000, as is arrived at by allowing £750 for each "working proprietor". This minimum standard may be adopted by the tax payer at his option, and the effect is to provide exemption in cases where profits carried since 31st March 1939 do not exceed the minimum standard. If the minimum is not adopted the standard profits are to be computed in accordance with the provisions of the Act, which vary according to the date on which the trade or business commenced, as follows:—

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Where the business commenced on or before 1-1-35, the tax payer may select one of the following standard periods:—

The year 1935, or the year 1936, or the average of the years 1935 and 1937, or the years 1936 and 1937.

Where the business commenced after 1-1-35, but on or before 1-1-1936, the standard period may be the year 1936, or the average of 1936 and 1937, at the option of the tax-payer. The term "year", it must particularly be noted, refers to the calendar year ended 31st December.

Where the business commenced after 1-1-1936 and on or before 1-7-1936, the standard period is any consecutive period of 12 months ending not later than 30-6-1937, which the tax-payer may select.

Provision has been made for an appeal to the Board of Referees, who may fix a higher figure of profits for the standard period, if they are satisfied that the rate of profits or the volume of business in the normal standard period was less than might then have been reasonably expected.

In the case of a company such a figure may not exceed 6 per cent. per annum on paid-up ordinary Capital and the fixed rate payable on any other paid-up Capital, unless the Board are satisfied that owing to some specific cause peculiar to the trade or business, it is just and equitable that a greater amount may be allowed.

Where the business was commenced after 1-7-1936, the standard profits will be taken to be in the case of a limited company other than one in which directors have a controlling interest, 8 per cent. on the average amount of the Capital employed in the chargeable accounting period and in other cases 10 per cent. Where the business was commenced prior to 1-7-1936, the "profits" standard is compulsory. There is no provision for the percentage standard to be optional for all business.

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The profits for standard and chargeable accounting periods are to be computed on income tax principles, accounts being apportioned, where necessary on a time basis. The normal allowance for wear and tear will be made in arriving at the adjusted profits figure for excess profits tax. Interest, annuities, or other annual payments, royalties and rents may be deducted, but no allowance can be made for Schedule A which deals with income from property. Investment income will not be included in the profits, except in the case of building societies, banks, insurance and investment companies. Where investment income is excluded as above, deductions for interest payable will be on the principal sum as reduced by the value of the investments. This restriction will not apply in the case of a person other than a limited company, unless the investments are mortgaged or charged as security for the principal sum.

In the case of director-controlled companies, where the profits of one of the specified periods are taken as the standard, the deductions for director's remuneration will be restricted to the amount charged in the standard period. Where the standard is computed by reference to Capital of business, no deduction will be allowed for remuneration ofdirectors, except any full time director, who does not own either directly or indirectly more than 5 per cent. of the ordinary Share Capital of the company.

In arriving at the adjusted profits for excess profits tax purposes, no deduction may be made for income tax or excess profits tax. Payments on account of Dominion income tax will be allowable. Excess profits tax paid will be allowable deduction for income tax purposes. Thus a tax payer may take consolation that no income tax will be payable on such excess profits handed over to the Revenue.

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Provision is made for relief in respect of deficiencies of profits. Where the profits of a chargeable accounting period fall short of the standard profits, the deficiency will be the difference between the two amounts. In the event of a loss, the amount of

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From Across The Seas

Gleanings From World Press

(From Our London Correspondent)

The war has made Howard Marshall forego several luxuries of life. Now he prefers to reach London from his country home by train instead of by a car ride. The luxury car is in storage as the Chancellor of the Exchequer has demanded an extra tax thereon.

To travel by train he has to walk to the Hampshire railway station. Only that has enabled him to realise that the fresh air that he receives on his morning walks to the station does good to his lungs and has helped him to have a healthy appetite.

"So I can do without my car and my conventional clothes", he has announced in the "Daily Mail." "And there are other things I can do without. As the war goes on I shall discover more and more of them. Rich food, for instance. I'm far better with the simplest food—and not too much of that."

This is Howard's final reflection:

"Here is a saying worth pondering. Gandhi, that strange, little loin-clothed ascetic, once remarked: 'To keep more than you need, when others have less than they need, is to be a thief.' Put that alongside the facts of unemployment and poverty, and you will see its force. It will, I believe, be one of the lessons driven home by the war."

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Early in week after Hore-Belisha resigned the War Secretaryship, the "Times" excused the ex-War Secretary's dismissal on the ground that no one man could bowl all the time. Mr. Dingle Foot, M.P., in the "British Weekly", thinks the late War Minister a footballer rather than a cricketer:

At the time of the financial crisis he decided to emulate Disraeli and become the one player in the Government's team. There was, however, a slight difference. Disraeli resembled a cricket professional in that he played for the same side throughout his career. Mr. Hore-Belisha has more in common with the professional footballer, to whom a transfer is merely an incident in his playing life.

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Books in England have gone up in price. An ordinary novel now costs 8/3; if it's more than 90,000 words long and less than 125,000, it is 9/6.

Most people can't afford to buy books at this price; but where most people—middle-class people anyway—will be affected by the increases will be at their lending libraries. The publishers are at war with the four main libraries on this issue. Publishers claim that increased production costs and war-risks insurance justify increased publishing prices; publishers, book-sellers, Authors' Society have agreed that there is to be no extra profit for them, that increase is to cover extra costs only.

Libraries disagree; are refusing to give "free circulation" to any fiction book published at more than 8/6. Their contracts with their subscribers made when almost all novels cost 7/6 enable them to do this.

A Test Case is to be "The Scarlet Imposter" by criminovelist Dennis Wheatley. This is a 137,000-word book—so the publishers are going to charge 10/6 for it. It comes out very soon (January 15, 1940). Libraries say they will take only one-sixth of their usual number of copies, to satisfy their more pressing subscribers.

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It is a fashion in social circles just now to put stock questions to which everyone is asked to give a reply. One of these questions often asked is "Whose name will be chiefly and lastingly remembered in connection with this war?"

The answer thought to be most likely is the name of a man who died before the war began—Andre Maginot. Maginot himself had a curious military career. In August, 1914, the deputy for Bar-le-Duc was called to the colours, quickly promoted sergeant, definitely refused any further promotion, but was awarded the Medaille Militaire. His severe wound at Verdun left him with a permanent limp.

As a result of a tour of French possessions in 1929 he strongly urged a large measure of self-government for the colonies of the Republic. He was made Minister of War for the second time in 1929, when the design with which his name is associated took shape. Irreproachable in character, he

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Frankly Speaking

A Timely Warning

Gandhiji has done well to warn the Government of South Africa against Dr. Malan's proposal to enforce the segregation of Indians by law. India has not submitted in the past to discrimination against her nationals by law, and she is not going to tolerate it now when she is preparing for a struggle for full national freedom. Gandhiji says that he is "envisaging an alliance with Great Britain and the Dominions if freedom is to come as a result of an honourable understanding between the two countries." Such an alliance will be an impossibility if India is to be insulted and discriminated against in any of the Dominions.

Brake On Japan's Policy

The recent Washington message, which furnishes interesting information regarding the extent of Japanese-American trade relations and their value, particularly to Japan, possesses considerable significance at this moment. The termination of the Japanese-American Treaty of Commerce not only affects Japanese civil and war economy but also exerts a powerful pressure diplomatically on Japan's foreign policy as a whole. American Big Business may have some interest or investment in Japanese heavy industry. But the European War and the Lima Conference orientation make it easier for American Capital to recall with controlled anger that an American citizeness was slapped by a Japanese sentry behind the barrier at Tientsin. The recent attitude of the Japanese Press and spokesmen, which is marked by the characteristic solicitude for American interests and persons, is as eloquent as it is significant. As we know, in international affairs not sentiment but self-interest dominates as a factor of primary importance. The U.S.A. are undoubtedly acting in their own interests in giving a salutary turn of the screw of economic pressure. The Japanese have no doubt to thank themselves for it. At a time when the Japanese are working up their anti-British hysteria and the puppets in China appear to be losing much of their animation and initiative, the smooth working of the Japanese war-machine appears rather doubtful. Unless the U.S.A. modify their attitude, the prospects of the ultimate Chinese victory are definitely brought nearer.

China Fights On

"The China Fortnighly", published by the Central News Agency from Chungking throws some revealing light on the situation in China. "Militarily", we learn, "China last fortnight struck back at the invader with a harder blow on all fronts, from Suiyuen to Kwangsi." As regards communications, a China Transport Corporation with a capital of 50 million dollars has been formed and under the guidance of American experts a programme of highway construction has been started. The following passage affords an interesting sidelight on the American-Japanese relations: "Fearing growing U. S. economic pressure Japan promised, with tongue in cheek, to reopen the Shanghai-Nanking section of the Yangtze, the use of which she has monopolized for more than two years on grounds of military necessity . . . . a small bait to catch a big fish." On the whole, reading through the contents of this extremely interesting and informative journal, one gets the impression of a China, more determined than ever to continue the fight for national freedom. It is also clear that while Chinese unity, morale and equipment are increasingly improved, the Japanese aggression is already showing signs of losing its initial drive and vigour

Life Sentence For A Speech!

According to an Associated Press message Mr. D. C. Hunter, District and Sessions Judge of Cawnpore, has sentenced Jan Mahomed, aged 55, said to be a Communist, to transportation for life under section 121 of the Indian Penal Code. The charge against the accused was that he had delivered a speech on September 3 urging the workers to prepare for an armed rebellion against Government. The offence, if it was proved against the accused, is certainly a grave one, but, a life sentence for a mere speech, which did not lead to any overt action, is certainly too severe a punishment. We trust the Government of the United Provinces will review the sentence and reduce it.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Most women would rather be envied than educated.

Instead of regretting yesterday, get busy and prepare for tomorrow.

Never tell your competitor that you can surpass him; go ahead and do it.

Conscience is what enables some persons to feel sorry when they're found out.

Love isn't blind. A girl can see ten times more in the object of her affections than any one else can.

There is probably no personal sacrifice so great as that of the woman who marries a man to reform him.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

"We are in revolt against this game of Power Politics which seeks to monopolise all this world for the triumphs of such poor fools as these leaders we have examined. We are not concerned with their wars."
—H. G. Wells in the speech which he was to have delivered to the P.E.N. Conference.

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In an article contributed by Mr. H. G. Wells to the American magazine Liberty, Mr. Wells described himself as a pacifist, but a realistic pacifist, and declared that the Germans insisted on being a nuisance to the world. They had stopped the wheels of progress and he was convinced that the vigorous bombing, bombarding and town-wrecking such as they had allowed their Government to inflict on other nations would be an entirely chastening and wholesome experience for them.
—Reuter.

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The World Revolution, we regret to note, has once again got marooned in Finland

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"We are sure that in the end Right will win", says Churchill.
That's what the Indian Leftists also complain.

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ART FOR ART'S SAKE

Sir T. (take a long breath) Vijayaraghavachariar, Dewan of Mewar, speaking at Kumbakonam, said that parliamentary government would be a dismal failure if Indian politicians did not learn the "art of compromise".
Of which Sir T. V. himself is such a distinguished exponent!

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Among non-Congress M.L.A.'s now arriving in Delhi there is a talk of "taking up the work of constitution-making themselves".
Such youthful enthusiasm and optimism is to be commended.
But haven't they slightly misunderstood the nature of a "Constituent Assembly"?

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Mr. Sorensen described imperialism as "an inequity".
Isn't it a case of slight understatement?

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SENSATIONAL NEWS

Mr. Jinnah has at last found a Hindu whose "genuine and sincere feelings of cordiality and innocent and honest talk was (sic) most refreshing".

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"Considerable difference of opinion is reported to have arisen among the delegates....."
At the Women's Conference, of course!

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Increase in crime is reported by the police administration of the Bombay Presidency.
There you are! Didn't we say Prohibition would result in a crime wave and turn Bombay into Chicago?
But, wait. The report is for 1938!

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS

(Perpetrated By Junior Colleague)

(1) Following the exhibition of "Rejected Art" at Cama Institute, the freelance journalists demand a "Rejected Manuscripts' Exhibition".

(2) Stalin has telegraphed to Trotsky asking him to come over and take charge of the Finnish campaign.

(3) The Japanese are prepared to return the British trousers (confiscated in Tientsin) in exchange for the Germans who were removed from a Japanese ship.

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"You know", said the author, "I got richer and richer, and my books are selling wonderfully. But sometimes I think my work is falling off. I don't think I write as well as I did".
"Oh, nonsense", replied the critic. "You write just as well as you ever did. Your literary taste is improving, that's all".

Serious Blow To Red Troops

SUPPLY COLUMN OF 400 CARS DESTROYED

Soviet Submarine Strikes Mine And Sinks

PARIS, January 27.

The Finns destroyed a Soviet supply column of 400 cars not far from the area where a large Russian force has been surrounded for days, according to news reaching Paris military circles.

This will be a serious blow to trapped red troops who appear to be relying on scanty supplies dropped by parachute.

A SOVIET SUBMARINE HAS BEEN SUNK AS THE RESULT OF ITS RUNNING INTO A FINNISH MINEFIELD ACCORDING TO HELSINKI DISPATCH.

A ROME CABLE SAYS: A FURTHER 200 VOLUNTEER AIRMEN OF VARIOUS NATIONALITIES HAVE ARRIVED IN FINLAND ACCORDING TO A HELSINKI TELEGRAM.—REUTER.

FIGHTING NEAR LAKE LADOGA

Russian Transport Column Destroyed

HELSINKI, Jan. 28.

A Communique states that in the Karelian Isthmus there is nothing new to report and in the north-east of Lake Ladoga the enemy attacks have been weaker than in previous days. Russian losses amounted to several hundreds killed.

A Soviet transport column, comprising 200 horses and three tanks was destroyed. Patrol activities are reported from other Fronts.

HUNDRED BOMBS DROPPED.

About 100 bombs were dropped during raids in North Finland, in which so far one person is reported to have been wounded and three Soviet planes destroyed.—Reuter.

Finns Definitely Masters Of Situation?

HELSINKI.—Judging from to-night's communique the Finns are now definitely masters of the situation in the north of Lake Ladoga where a Russian force estimated to number 200,000 has been trying for a week to outflank the Mannerheim Line. The Finns have thus proved once again how the strategy of a comparatively small force can outwit the tactics of a large one.

The Russian attack has been stemmed by a number of small Finnish forces including some of their daring ski patrols, and Soviet losses are said to have been heavy in spite of the fact that many of their soldiers were fresh and well-equipped.

"LOST DIVISION" REALLY LOST?

Helsinki is now waiting with interest to hear what has happened to the "Lost Division" of the Russians around Kitela. This force, numbering between three to four divisions, has been isolated by the Finnish "Suicide" patrols, who co-operating with the Finnish Air Force destroyed its lines of communication in the rear.

Strong Russian attacks were made in the North to distract the Finnish forces holding the Russian divisions in their grasp at Kitela, and it is thought possible that some marooned force has been able to elude the Finns.

To-night's communique reports the loss of a Russian submarine in the Finnish minefield.—Reuter.

SOVIET TROOPS ON SALLA FRONT

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 27.

Russian troops on the northern Finnish Front are reported to be of a superior type than those employed in the first days of the war. It is estimated here that fifty thousand Soviet soldiers are entrenched in the Salla Front and on the Petsamo Front in the extreme north the Finnish advance, which was reported recently, has slowed down, one reason being that Russian organisation has improved since General Stern took over command of the campaign.

Supreme Commander Of 'Red' Troops

Marshal Voroshiloff's reported visit to the Finnish Front is significant, writes Reuter's Military Correspondent. He is Stalin's closest associate, but even at the height of the Army purge, he manged to retain some sort of continuity amongst the distract- [illegible] and for this, he earned the admiration and respect of officers and men of the Red army.

Marshal Voroshiloff as Supreme Commander of the Navy, Air-force and Army will visit Leningrad, may be with the object of co-ordinating these three for further operations.—Reuter.

Swedish Donations For Finland

HELSINKI, Jan. 27.

Voluntary donations from Sweden continue to pour in and have now reached a total of 660 thousand pounds.—Reuter.

American Loan To Finland

WASHINGTON, January 25.

The Senate Banking Committee approved an increase of 100,000,000 dollars in the capital of the export and import bank to permit of a non-military loan to Finland.

At the same time the Committee in approving Senator Browns revised Bill, placed restrictions on future loans to prevent granting more than 30,000,000 dollars in credits to any one nation.

Mr. Brown stated that additional loans to Finland would be made at the discretion of Mr. Jesse Jones, Chairman of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation provided the increase in bank's capital was approved by Congress.

While the Bill does not mention any specific loan to Finland it is declared the effect of limiting credits to any nation to 30,000,000 dollars will be to limit future credits to Finland to 20,000,000 dollars, since Finland has already obtained 10,000,000 dollar loan.—Reuter.

HERTZOG'S REPLY TO DEBATE

CAPE TOWN, Jan. 27.

General Hertzog replying to the debate said that whatever the result of the vote might be, South Africa's call for peace had been heard and her demand that her men should not be sacrificed on the altar of European wars. He added that it had always been understood that South Africa and the other dominions should not take part in a war unless Britain was threatened. He ridiculed the idea that Hitler was out for world domination. He argued that the treaty of Versailles was to blame for the war.

The Government majority of 22 was larger than had been expected.

HERTZOG-MALAN AGREEMENT

It was announced in Cape Town on Saturday, before voting, that an agreement had been reached between General Hertzog and the Nationalist Republican Leader Dr. Malan providing for a united opposition in the Assembly.—Reuter.

DEATH OF MR. VINAYAK MEHTA

Well-Known I.C.S. Officer

(From Our Correspondent.)

SURAT, January 28.

Deep regret is felt amongst Vadnagar Nagar community at the death of Vinayak Nandshankar Mehta, (I.C.S.) at Allahabad. By his death, Surat has lost a leading educationist and citizen.

(Mr. V. N. Mehta was the brother of Sir Manubhai Mehta. He was a popular I.C.S. Officer and for some time worked in Kashmir State.)

Allied Gold For Turkey

Fifteen Million Sterling For Strengthening Defences

ANKARA, January 28.

Gold valued at fifteen millions sterling, granted under the recent Anglo-French-Turkish agreement to strengthen Turkey's exchange, arrived by special train from Syria.—Reuter.

Br. Red Cross Relief For Turkey

ISTANBUL, Jan. 28.

Brig.-Gen. Sir Wyndham Deedes was welcomed by representatives of the Turkish Government and Red Cross on arrival "en route" to Erzincan, where, as British delegate, he will participate in the distribution of large quantities of clothing, medicines and other relief sent from Britain for the victims of the recent earthquake.—Reuter.

HUGE INCREASE IN U. S. ARMS EXPORTS

Britain And France Top List Of Buyers

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.

Export licences for arms, ammunition and war implements in 1939 totalled 204 and a half million dollars—two and a half times the total of 1939—the State Department announced.

The actual exports amounted to 102 and a quarter million dollars and Britain and France accounted for the majority of the licences and the actual exports obtained. Warplanes constituted major portions in both categories.

The effects of the Soviet-Finnish war are reflected in the licences issued in December for export—3154 thousand dollars worth of Warplanes and engines to Sweden.

It is disclosed that in December although she once led all countries with the value of licences obtained (15 million dollars), Britain took out licences only worth 606 thousand.

Canada and Australia were active in the buying market during the month, the former obtaining export permits totalling nearly three million dollars and the latter seven and quarter million.—Reuter.

FR. SHIP 'ALSACIEN' TORPEDOED?

MADRID, January 28.

Survivors of the French steamer "Tourny" torpedoed on the Spanish coast on January 24, state that another French ship the "Alsacien" (3,819 tons) was torpedoed at the same time. The fate of the crew is not known.—Reuter.

RELEASE FOR SP. POLITICALS

MADRID, Jan. 27.

Prisoners serving terms under twelve years imprisonment for political offences against the Nationalist movement and who were tried by Court-Martial are to be released.

A decree published in an official bulletin formally restores the property of Jesuits which was confiscated under the Republic of 1932.—Reuter.

When Spanish Amnesty Will Come Into Force

MADRID, January 28.

It is now stated that political prisoners, promised release under the new Decree of yesterday, will not be freed until April 1, 1941.—Reuter.

COLDEST SPELL FOR 46 YEARS

LONDON, Jan. 27.

It can now be revealed that England recently experienced the coldest spell for 46 years.

Intense frost covered the whole of the country. Twenty-five degrees frost was registered in the centre of London and even in Cornwall icefloes were on rivers.

The Thames froze over solidly at Kingston and at one time was iced over for eight continuous miles from Teddington-lock to Sunbury. Even on tidal water below Kingston, there was thick ice at the edge, which has not happened since 1894.

There was skating everywhere but the coldest day was too cold for skating as the ice splintered into needlesharp fragments under the skate. The frost became so severe that indoor temperature dropped under freezing and all waterpipes in thousands of houses [illegible]

JAPAN TO LAUNCH FURTHER PROTEST

Legality Of British Case Regarding "Asama Maru" Affair

TOKYO, Jan. 28.

The Domei Agency understands that Japan is likely to protest further as regards the "Asama Maru" incident and attempt to refute the legality of the British case.

The Domei Agency says Mr. Arita and Foreign Office officials held a conference and came to the conclusion that the British Government were not giving serious consideration to the incident and thereby aggravating Anglo-Japanese relations.—Reuter.

GERMANS REMOVED FROM PORTUGUESE SHIP

LISBON, January 28.

A British warship stopped the Portuguese liner "Quanza" off Sierra Leone and took off two German passengers. Later a French warship removed three more Germans from the liner.—Reuter.

DELHI CONGRESS OFFICIAL RESIGNS

Protest Against Working Committee's Action

NEW DELHI, Jan. 28.

Maulana Nuruddin Bihari, Vice-President Delhi, Provincial Congress Committee has sent the resignation of his office to the President of the Provincial Congress Committee, Delhi.

In a letter addressed to the President, Provincial Congress Committee, Delhi, he says, the High command, instead of reposing trust in the integrity of the Provincial Tribunal elected unanimously by the Executive Committee of the Delhi Provincial Congress Committee has superimposed an Election Committee armed with wide powers over the head of the present office-bearers of the Delhi P. C. C. and the Election Tribunal. No self-respecting man, I am afraid, can put up with such highly unwarranted action of the authorities above."

In conclusion Mr. Bihari says: "I assure you that this should not tamper with my loyalty to the Congress of which I shall ever remain a faithful follower."—A.P.

PRICE ADVISORY OFFICERS

India Govt. Proposal For Bombay And Calcutta

NEW DELHI, Jan. 27.

The Government of India propose to appoint two Price Advisory Officers, one to be stationed in Bombay and the other at Calcutta, mainly to follow the activities of the speculative markets in jute and in cotton, and to keep the Government of India informed of the tendencies in these markets.

This decision was taken as a result of the discussions at the Price Control Conference which ended on Thursday.

FORWARD MARKETS.

The control of the forward markets in the two cities, or elsewhere, was left an open question to be determined by the Government of India in consultation with the main provincial governments affected and in the light of the experience and knowledge gained as a result of the observations of the Price Advisory Officers.

STOP PRESS

REPUBLIC FOR SOUTH AFRICA.

CAPE TOWN, January 28.

The Parliamentary groups led by Mr. Hertzog and Dr. Malan reached an agreement for mutual co-operation and the agreement is subject to the approval of the Congresses of both groups.

A statement issued to-night says that both the Parties are convinced that the "Republican form of government separated from the British Crown is the best suited to the traditions and aspirations of South African people". It adds that this is the only effective guarantee that South Africa won't again be drawn into the wars of Great Britain.—Reuter.

ON WESTERN FRONT

PARIS, January 28.

A communique says that there was renewed activity on the part of advanced units in some points on the Front.—Reuter.

'NO CONFIDENCE' IN ALLAHBUX CABINET

Sind Hindu Panchayat Whip To Assembly Members

KARACHI, Jan. 28.

A resolution urging the Hindu Independents and the Congress group in the Assembly to table a no-confidence motion in the Allahbux Ministry and defeat the Ministry as early as possible was passed this afternoon at a meeting of the Executive Council of the Hindu Panchayats all over the Province, at which the members of the Hindu Independent Party in the Assembly were also present.—A. P.

U-BOATS ON AMERICAN COAST?

NEW YORK, Jan. 27

According to a Rio de Janeiro telegram to the "New York Times", the skippers of the coastal trading vessels reaching Bahia (Brazil) have reported sighting of German submarines near Ilhcos on the border of the states of Bahia and Espirito Santo.

Another Rio de Janeiro report says that U-boats were seen near Bermuda. Great activity was observed recently among German merchantmen in Brazilian ports Several have sailed in the past fortnight under cover of darkness. There are still thirteen German ships in Brazilian ports, all except one of which have been loaded ready to leave.—Reuter.

"City Of Flint" Arrives

BALTIMORE, Jan. 27.

The steamer "City of Flint" has arrived after a voyage of 113 days which should have lasted only six weeks.—Reuter.

INTERNMENT FOR 'GRAF SPEE' CREW

MONTE VIDEO, Jan. 28.

Government has decreed the internment of 14 members of the "Graf Spee's" crew who are still in Uruguay including four ratings who participated in the actual blowing up of the "Graf Spee" and were arrested aboard the "Tacoma."

The German authorities had asked that officers among the 14 should be classed as auxiliary naval attaches at the Legation.—Reuter.

SURVIVORS OF "PRESIDENT QUEZON"

KOBE, January 28.

Four women and six children were among the thirteen passengers and 99 of the crew of the liner "President Quezon" who arrived here following the sinking of the liner.

The others were rescued by another Japanese liner and it is understood one person is missing, namely the American cook, Edward Walker.

It is learned that the "President Quezon" struck a sunken reef and water poured into the engine-room stopping the engines. The passengers and the crew escaped in 22 life-boats.—Reuter.

FROM ACROSS THE SEAS

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was somewhat of a recluse, but so greatly esteemed that his sudden death early in 1931 brought about the collapse of the Laval Government.

"When we complain we are told that we must all make sacrifices," writes George Bernard Shaw, "and that we had better buy white overcoats, carry our gas masks everywhere, and take widly impracticable precautions against high explosive blast and poison gas.

"Naturally we cry, 'Sacrifice! Yes, but what for?' You tell us to be resolute and determined, but we cannot be resolute and determined in the air about nothing.

"What are we suffering for? Upon what are we resolved? What have we determined? What in the devil's name is it all about, now that we have let Poland go?"

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Authors, in view of the libel laws, have constant difficulty in finding names for their characters unidentifiable with living persons. We have heard of authors searching the telephone directory or the obituary columns for this purpose, and transposing or otherwise disguising the names they choose.

A more ingenious, and far safer, method was adopted by Nat Gould, the yellow-back racing novelist. He always named his characters from the index of Bradshaw's Railway Guide.

"Miles Platting and Newton Heath," he used to say, "sound quite nicely, and they don't sue you for libel, however unpleasant they turn out." This unorthodox use for Bradshaw is quoted in the guide's centenary history, which has just appeared.

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The British Prime Minister speaks better on a platform than when standing at the box in the House of Commons. And he showed it in his speech at the Maxion House on Tuesday January 9.

With his audience on the same floor level, as in Parliament, his speeches become conversational. When he looks down on an audience from the platform he finds that a greater vocal effort is to reach them. As the result of speaking more loudly, he speaks more slowly and with more style.

The late Lord Oxford and Asquith, on the other hand, was better in the House of Commons than on the platform. The despatch box in the House of Commons was a great comfort to him. He rested his arms on it and he thumped it. Indeed, it became so necessary to him that for years he carried round with him to all his big meetings in the country a box about the same size as the despatch box. This was placed on a table on the platform in a similar position to that occupied by the box in the Commons.

Why Muslims Want Royal Commission

Jinnah's Reply To London "Times" & O'Neill

LEAGUE PRESIDENT BLAMES MAHATMA FOR PRESENT SITUATION

AHMEDABAD, January 28.

Regarding the British Government's attitude as disclosed by Sir Hugh O'Neill in the House of Commons regarding the demand for a Royal Commission to inquire into the treatment of minorities by Congress Governments, Mr. Jinnah, in a statement, says: "We are informed that London 'scouts' our just demand to appoint an impartial judicial tribunal, namely, a Royal Commission to enquire into our charges of a very serious character about the tyranny and oppression practised over Mussalmans in Congress-governed Provinces. Sir Hugh O'Neill is reported to have said that he could not believe that the interests of either party to the dispute or of the peoples of India as a whole would be served by a *formal* inquiry into the matter. What does this mean? This unreasonable reply has imposed an additional task upon us. We shall try to remove his wrong belief when he says that it is not in the interests of the people to do justice. He is entirely mistaken when he says that such an enquiry would embitter Hindus and Muslims. It is a charge against the Congress High Command and the Congress Ministries, which must be investigated in order to stop a recurrence or repetition of it in future".

REPLY TO LONDON "TIMES"

Mr. Jinnah added: "My attention has also been drawn to an article in the London "Times". This paper is generally well-informed but when it says that the All-India Muslim League is not an authoritative and representative organisation of the Muslims of India it is misled completely showing the ignorance of the actual position in India to-day. Of course the League is not the only Muslim organisation in the country nor does it represent cent. per cent. of the Muslims in the country, which it is impossible for any organisation to do in any country, but I venture to state without fear of contradiction to-day that it represents the Muslim nation more truly and effectively than His Majesty's present Government represents the British nation.

The London "Times" is making a great mistake if it is under the impression that any settlement could be forced on the Muslims under the aegis of the British Government without their approval and consent. The Muslims are not prepared to leave their fate and future destiny in the hands of anybody. They alone are the final judges of what is best for them. They must be treated by all parties who play their part in shaping the future of India as a responsible and honourable people".

JINNAH BLAMES MAHATMA

Referring to the latest article of Mahatma Gandhi in the "Harijan", Mr. Jinnah said: "Suddenly Mr. Gandhi finds that my truthful and honest statement in reply to his letter recently published has dashed to the ground all hope of Hindu-Muslim unity. This was the first time that I made the position clear. Why then begin to doubt now whether I represent the Muslim mind at all? I know it is not easy to convince Mr. Gandhi of the reality of the situation. He feels that the picture I presented to him, if realised, would undo the efforts the Congress is making for over half a century.

"Efforts of the Congress for the first thirty years have already been undone and Mr. Gandhi is mainly responsible for that.

"It is the policy and programme Mr. Gandhi is pursuing blindly for two decades that is the cause of the present state of affairs. He is still under a delusion when he says that this is only a temporary phase in the history of the Muslim League and that the Muslims could never cut themselves away from their Hindu and Christian brethren.

"It is not a question of Muslims cutting away from their Hindu and Christian brethren. It is a problem of making our Hindu and Christian brethren understand that we are entitled to our proper place in the Indian sun."—A.P.

LEAGUE PRESS PROPAGANDA

Jinnah's Announcement At Ahmedabad Meeting

AHMEDABAD, Jan. 28.

Mr. Jinnah arrived here last night after the conclusion of his Kathiawar tour and addressed a public meeting exhorting them to join and strengthen the Muslim League. Referring to his tour in Kathiawar, he said that Muslim masses had awakened everywhere.

It was announced at the meeting that a sum of one and a half lakhs of rupees was collected in Kathiawar for the League Press Propaganda Fund.—A. P.

JINNAH'S TOUR IN KATHIAWAR

PORBANDAR, Jan. 27.

The Muslim League deputation reached Porbandar last evening. 'En route' to Porbandar, at Kutiyana a purse of Rs. 8,500 was presented to Mr. Jinnah. Another halt was made at Ranavav. Immediately on their arrival here, a procession was taken out. Mr. Jinnah and other members of the deputation are staying as State guests. Mr. Jinnah had dinner yesterday with His Highness the Maharana of Porbandar. The deputation left Porbandar this morning for Jetpur.

VISIT TO ANCESTRAL HOME.

Mr. Jinnah and party lunched at Upleat after leaving Porbandar yesterday morning. Mr. Jinnah addressed a public meeting in the evening and then drove to Panell, Mr. Jinnah's ancestral village. Mr. Jinnah was immensely pleased to see his ancestral hut and chatted freely with the villagers. One old villager recalled his accompanying Mr. Jinnah's wedding party to Hariana when Mr. Jinnah was very young, almost a child. The village school children were addressed by Mr. Jinnah.

After spending a happy hour with the villagers Mr. Jinnah and party next broke their journey at Jetpur. A procession was formed through the decorated route and an enthusiastic reception was given to the party, Mr. Jinnah addressed a meeting at Jetpur at night and left for Rajkot. According to the present programme the deputation will leave Rajkot by Mail this afternoon and reaches Ahmedabad at night.—A. P.

The Half-Column By "Dim"

The Excess Profit Tax can never worry an honest journalist.

Soviet officials held on charge of conspiracy against the Kremlin Dictators are singing the old song: "The more we are together, the fewer we will be."

"If Gracie Fields, Bernard Shaw and Mahatma Gandhi were marooned on a desert island and only one could be saved, who should it be?" This was debated upon by the Northwood literary Society and the Mahatma came on top. What happened to the motto "Ladies First"?

Why does Bernard Shaw never shave? Because everything about him is Shavian.

A local Sunday paper published a picture of Herr Hitler with his arms round a girl. I always thought Hitler was opposed to the policy of encirclement.

I wonder whether Luois Bromfield's new book will find its way to India and particularly to Bombay. It will be fun picking out who is who.

One of the more beautiful things I have heard on the Bombay Racecourse was when a voice shouted. "Come on My Baqlava." Well might Senor Mussolini visiting the Bombay Races shout: "Come on My Italian Bomber."

Have you heard the story about the man who lost the Rs. 14,000 pool? He told it to his best friend and lost him too.

A. I. R. announces that Bach who has been away sometime has now returned to accompany his suite.

EXCESS PROFITS TAX

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loss will be added to the standard profits. The relief will be allowed against the total excess profits of earlier chargeable accounting periods, any balance which cannot be relieved being carried forward against the profits of subsequent chargeable accounting periods. For income tax purposes all excess profits tax repaid will be treated as a profit of the business for the chargeable accounting period in which the deficiency occurs, the tax previously paid having been allowed as a deduction for income tax purposes.

Where one company is a subsidiary of another company, any interest, annuity, or other annual payment, or any royalty or rent paid by one company to another will not be allowable. Similarly for the purpose of ascertaining the amount of Capital of the parent or subsidiary company, loans will be disregarded and any asset in respect of which a rent or a royalty is payable will be treated as the property of the company paying the royalty or rent. For the purpose of the provisions a company will only be regarded as a subsidiary of another company if that company owns, either directly or indirectly not less than 9/10ths of the ordinary share capital.

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A departure from income tax principles is the provision for the allowance of certain Capital losses. Where buildings, plant and machinery have been acquired specially for work of national importance and the value of such assets decrease by their becoming obsolete or redundant, the loss, actual or national can be allowed, after reducing it by any wear and tear allowance already made on these assets. This allowance will only be made in respect of assets acquired since 31-12-1936. As such reduction cannot be ascertained before the asset is actually sold provisional allowance not exceeding 10 per cent. of the cost of the asset may be allowed.

The above brief sketch will give readers an adequate idea of the Excess Profits Tax as it is enacted now in England, and will help them to appreciate the implications of a similar Act which is shortly expected to be enacted in India.

BOSE ATTACKS PROHIBITION

Says Congress Is Drifting Towards Liberal Constitutionalism

JHANSI, January 28.

A sharp attack on "The Congress drift towards constitutionalism" and its prohibition programme was made by Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose speaking at a public meeting at Shikohabad yesterday.

Mr. Bose said that instead of launching a struggle for complete independence at this juncture the Congress High Command was sitting on the fence. He failed to understand, he declared, how any compromise formula was possible. So long as complete independence remained the goal, the Congress could not accept Dominion Status.

Mr. Bose said that the Leftists wanted Mahatma Gandhi to be their General but if he failed to rise to the occasion they, the Leftists, and particularly those of them that belonged to the Forward Bloc, would take the initiative in launching a struggle. During the past few years, Mr. Bose added, the Congress had been drifting towards constitutionalism. If that process continued there would be nothing to choose between the Liberal Federation and the Congress.

Criticising the prohibition policy Mr. Bose said that it had resulted in additional taxes being levied in order to balance the budgets. This had made the Congress Ministries unpopular with the public, who had expected the Congress to lighten their burden.

Mr. Bose characterised the Congress demand for a Constituent Assembly as impracticable and said such an assembly should be convened only after the transfer of Power to Indians from the British Government had taken place. As for the Communal problem, Mr. Bose concluded, it would vanish as soon as a struggle for Independence was started.—A.P.

BOSE PREPARED TO FOLLOW RIGHTISTS

"Only They Should Give Call For National Struggle"

(From Our Correspondent.)

GONDA, (By Mail).

India cannot afford to remain a slave country any longer. Her poverty has been increasing day by day and something has to be done with zeal and sincerity to eradicate it. Charkha alone can neither remove the poverty nor win Swarajya. Spinning has its economic value but to mix it with politics is a mistaken idea. To dub it as a 'key to Swarajya' is nothing but sophistry. Before the advent of the British rule Charkha was a household thing in India and people knew nothing except hand-spun and hand-woven Khadi, but inspite of that India lost her freedom, said Sjt. Subhas Bose addressing a huge gathering at the Ramlila ground.

Referring to the attitude of the Forward Bloc Mr. Bose said that a sort of propaganda had been going on for some time past that the Forward Bloc was out to oust the old leaders of the Rightist bloc. But as a matter of fact this was a gross misrepresentation of facts. "I have great respect for Mahatmaji, Rajen Babu and others and I would like to remain under their leadership for ever if they can give the call for a national struggle. We have asked them to do so and if they will fail to do so we have no alternative but to take the initiative ourselves."

Referring to Mahatma Gandhi's recent article in the Harijan, "The Dissentients" Mr. Bose commented as illogical the desire to have a compromise with Britain if it could be had with honour. Mr. Bose said that there could be no compromise between a slave and a master.

Mr. Bose spoke for 60 minutes dwelling upon various aspects of political situation in this country.

Mr. Bose was given a rousing reception and both Rightists and Leftists joined together in extending all courtesy to him.

Second annual dinner of the Association of Industries, Bombay, at the Cricket Club of India, on Thursday last.

The opening ceremony of the Khaddar and Village Industries Exhibition on a small scale in Jallianwala Bagh, Amritsar, was performed by Dr. Gopichand Bhargava on last Thursday morning. Photo shows:—Dr. Bhargava along with Dr. Kitchlew inspecting the quality of "Khaddar".

Bose Completes U. P. Tour

LUCKNOW, Jan. 27.

Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose after completing his ten-day tour of the United Provinces left for Fatehpur 'en route' to Calcutta. Mr. Bose will reach Calcutta tomorrow afternoon.

Earlier in the day he opened the office of the Provincial Forward Bloc.—United Press.

"Responsible Govt. Day"

(From Our Correspondent)

EHUJ, January 28.

As per the appeal of the Managing Committee of the Cutch Prajakiya Parishad and its President Mr. Yusuf Meherally, Cutchi residents of Sind celebrated "Responsible Government Day" yesterday most enthusiastically.

A huge meeting at Cutchigali Chowk reiterated its faith in the resolution of Mundra Parishad and solemnly pledged itself to achieve its goal by whatsoever sacrifices.

NEITHER BLUFF NOR THREAT

Dr. Gopichand Bhargava On His Resignation

LAHORE, Jan. 27.

Apropos the statement and counter-statement by Mr. Chaudhury Krishna Gopal Dutt, a member of the Punjab Legislative Assembly, and Moulana Abul Kalam Azad respectively, in connection with the resignation by Dr. Gopichand Bhargava of his seat in the Provincial Assembly and also of the leadership of the Assembly Congress Party, Dr. Bhargava, in a statement to the Press, says:—

"I want to make it clear that I did not request Mr. Chaudhury Krishna Gopal Dutt to move in the matter. The resignation was my concern. Moulana Saheb has probably issued this statement in the belief that I had asked Mr. Krishna Gopal to speak to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel on my behalf. I need not approach the Sardar. It is a matter between me and the Moulana.

"I desire to remove this feeling also from public mind if it exists, that I sent my resignation as a bluff or threat only. Nothing of the kind was meant. I cannot disclose the details till the matter is finally decided, and I will get the Moulana's permission to publish the correspondence or the gist of it."—United Press.

REPRESSION IN KOLHAPUR

Three Persons Sent To Jail

(From Our Correspondent)

KOLHAPUR, Jan. 27.

Shirgurkar Patil of Kolhapur State Congress was sentenced by the District Magistrate this morning to three years rigorous imprisonment and 900 Rupees fine in default nine months further imprisonment under 124 A I.P.C.

City Magistrate Chougule sentenced Parshuram Mistri and Rama Mirajkar to four years' rigorous imprisonment under two counts and 400 rupees fine in default twelve months further imprisonment. Though Shahu millworkers were severely belaboured by police for strike, they are peacefully holding on.

DR. KATJU ON COMMONS DEBATE

Parliament's Interference On The Bill Is Arbitrary And Unwarranted

LUCKNOW, Jan. 27.

Interviewed by the "United Press" regarding the debate in the House of Commons on the U P. Employment Tax Bill, Dr. Kailas Nath Katju, ex-Minister and sponsor of the said Bill, said:—

"I think the reply given by Sir O'Neill to the strong opposition voiced by Sir Willjowitt was very weak and unsatisfactory. He made out no justification whatsoever for amendment of the Government of India Act, and admitted in so many words that the British Government acted in despotic fashion without consulting public opinion in India in any manner. The U. P. Employment Tax Bill is now definitely and by implications admitted to have been within the legislative powers of the province, and in the case of any Dominions such an arbitrary interference by Parliament with their constitution would have been unthinkable.

"Sir O'Neill further exploded the myth so sedulously propagated in India that the Employment Tax is contrary to the intentions of Parliament. He admitted that the matter had never been discussed in Parliament. The further confession that the British Government would not have accepted the verdict of the Federal Court had it been against them exposes the real danger of the unwarranted interference by Parliament at the behest of the Government of the day in England.

"This episode shows how necessary it is that India should have a constitution of its own framed by the Indian people, which should be above the power of Parliament to amend or to alter.

"I cannot speak with sufficient restraint about the inequality in prescribing the ridiculous limit of Rs. 50 applicable to all employees, high or low. It is manifestly unjust that the Governor of a province and the head clerk of a subordinate establishment should be treated on the same footing.

"I can only regret that my endeavour to redress inequalities, to lower exorbitant salaries and to tax those who ought to be taxed, so that the people may be relieved of heavy burdens, has been frustrated by the unjust and indefensible action of the British Government."—United Press.

JAMNAGAR BAN ON TWO WEEKLIES.

(From Our Correspondent)

JAMNAGAR, Jan. 27.

It is learnt that weekly papers "Fulchhab" and "Navsavrastra" of Ranpur and Ahmedabad respectively have been banned in the State area.

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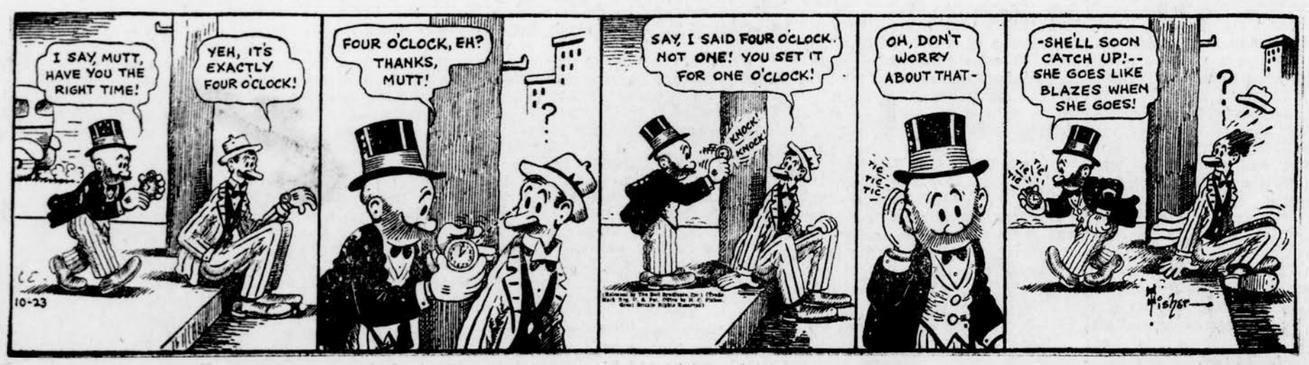
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ALLEGED DEFIANCE OF MAGISTERIAL ORDER

JAMMU, Jan. 27

Desraj Mohajan, ex-President of the District Congress Committee, Sialkot who delivered a speech at the "Independence Day" meeting, held by the Jammu Congress has been arrested for alleged defiance of an order issued by the District Magistrate of Jammu, about three months ago restraining him from delivering public speeches in Jammu for six months.—A. P.

SPORTSMEN'S BROTHERHOOD IN INDIA

The Eclipse Stakes: Official Cycling Records

(From Observer's Notebook)

Football

At the last meeting of the North-West Indian Football Association it was decided that in future all affiliated private clubs should maintain a list of their members, a cash book and a minute book, all of which would be subject to periodical inspection by an official of the Association. Failure to follow the above decision would entail disaffiliation. Bombay could not do better, it would be one check that would keep players roving and clubs pinching the good things from others.

Hockey:

I concur whole-heartedly with "Ariel" when he writes in an evening contemporary.

"I notice that the B.P.H.A. has drawn up a long list of fixtures for the Championship and that they have arranged matches during a period when all Bombay will be Olympic minded. Would it not be better for the Championship to be temporarily suspended for at least a day or two so that local sportsmen may be given the opportunity of attending both functions? After all the Olympic Games is an All-India affair!"

Eclipse Stakes

The most valuable event of the Indian racing year is to be run next Saturday. I wonder how many know that the Eclipse Stakes keeps green the name of a famous horse, Eclipse.

In England the most valuable event is the Sandown Park Eclipse Stakes.

Eclipse one of the most famous horses of all times, was so named because of his being foaled at Windsor Park during the eclipse of 1764. His racing career was confined to the years 1769 and 1770, and he was never beaten.

Such were this animal's performances that bookmakers would not bet against his winning. Instead they asked for long odds on him winning by a distance—240 yards. This gave rise to a saying still quoted—"Eclipse first—the rest nowhere."

Eclipse sired 335 winners when retired to stud and died 150 years ago at the age of 25.

Sportsmen's Brotherhood

All sportsmen will welcome His Highness the Ruler of Rampur State's appeal for funds to further the scheme of the All-India Sportsmen's Brotherhood.

The idea aims at restoring to India the proud prestige of being the home of perfect sportmanship and the land of true sportsmen. The movement will embrace sportsmen without any distinction of class and creed or religion.

The sporting Prince's appeal says: "The Brotherhood of the Sportsmen came into existence in India 5 years ago. It was at the instance of this Conference that Lord Willingdon provided the movement with a common platform and collected sportsmen from all over India, including the States, at its first session held in Delhi in 1934.

"Since then the movement has been bringing into its fold distinguished sportsmen of different races and creeds and has received full support from the highest Government officials and many ruling chiefs. To-day it enjoys the enviable position of being the only organised body of sportsmen in India and can justly claim to be their only representative.

"The determination on the part of the sportsmen to rally around themselves the full force of their movement, and to defend, if need be, their homes and honour in the event of aggression from outside India, and to maintain peace and order in their own country, deserves recognition and generous support from all sections of the people particular from sportsmen."

Indian Cycling Records:

My old friend Professor Jagan Nath Swami, President, National Cyclists' Federation of India writes as follows: Owing to several misstatements appearing in the Indian press regarding the Indian Cycling records, I give a list of cycling records of India, which are correct and recognised up to January 24, 1940. I do this to remove misunderstanding that has been created in the Indian cycling world:—

GRASS TRACK CYCLE RACES.

Distance	Hrs.	Mts.	Secs.	ALL INDIA RECORD HOLDERS.
1000 Metres	0	1	30.3	Janki Dass (Punjab Championships: 39)
1 Mile	0	2	32.6	Janki Dass (Punjab Championships 37)
3000 Metres	0	4	33.6	Janki Dass (Punjab Championships: 37)
4 Miles	0	11	12.3	Janki Dass (Punjab University: 1937)
10,000 Metres	0	18	21.4	R. K. Mehra (I. O. Championships: 1936)
5 Miles	0	14	19	Rup Kishen (Railway Games: 1936)
10 Miles	0	24	49.0	Janki Dass (P. O. Championships: 1936)

Road Cycle Races

Distance	Hrs.	Mts.	Sec.	
10 Miles	0	22	18.4	Janki Dass (P. O. Championships: 37)
50 Miles	2	4	18.2	Janki Dass (P. O. Championships: 1937)
62.14 Miles (100 Kilometres)	3	18	57	R. J. Mistri (Bombay Championships: 1936)
Bombay to Poona	6	19	0	Balgar of Jamkhandi (Bombay Championships: 1936)

Provincial Hockey

Police Prove Easy Victims

POONA UNITED AND KHATAU SPORTS DRAW

Poona United	0	Khatau Sports	0
Brijraj Young Men	4	City Police 'B'	0

Two matches were played on Sunday in the Bombay Provincial Hockey Championship. In the early tie Poona United failed to come to a decision against the Khatau Sports. The second encounter saw the Brijraj Young Men from Poona outclass the Bombay City Police Athletic Club "B."

The blank score in the first match is a correct index of the run of play. Poona United kept in the picture in the early phases of the game. The closing stages of the initial half and for some time after the teams crossed over the Khatau Sports were aggressive. Ten minutes before time Poona got going again and worried the Bombay side's defence but could not penetrate it, closing the game with the score love all.

TEAMS:

Poona United: Juman; Khan and Agarwala; Datta, Shah and Phansekar; Gunaji, Sheik, Azar Ali, Bala and Hithu.

Khatau Sports Club: Lopes, Michael and Reuben; Ghaffur, Benny and D'Mello; Rao, Phillips, Narain, Adams and Gabriel.

POLICE BEATEN.

The Brijraj Young Men could play hockey whereas the Police tried but did not rise above mediocrity. The first half was a triumph for Baboo, the winner's centre-forward, as he gave his side 3 goals. In this half the Police were nowhere in it.

The second spell of play saw the Police more in the fray. During the first half Chintum in the Poona side's goal was not called upon to save once. He had some work in the late period, but gave away nothing. The Brijraj Young Men completed their tally in closing stages, the fourth point coming off Ughado's stick.

The performance against the Police this evening gives promise of better things for the Brijraj Young men. Mohete, Gaikwad, Baboo and Ughado are all good forwards. Jagtap, the outside left, might prove more useful to his side if he did not try and put in an amount of individual play. he invariably lost the ball when in possession. The half-back line of the winning side proved sound. Patel, the right back was slow, hence Callian had much to do in which he was not wanting.

Chintum in goal did not have enough work to warrant criticism. Though one very smart save of his was worthy of the applause it received.

On the Police side Beck again was a composed and hardworking back. His work is a delight to the stands, as it is safe and is Beck's own style. Gillespie played well in the left-half position. Williams and Stanley were the best of the forward line. Hibbert kept the opponent's score down. The shots that beat him would have beaten good goal-keepers.

TEAMS:

Brijraj Young Men: Chintum; Patel and Callian; Chandali, Mettelo and Khrath, Mohete, Gaikwad, Baboo Ughado and Jagtap.

Bombay City Police Athletic Club "B":—Hibbert; Mascarenhas and Beck; Osbourne, Hewson and Gillespie; Rozario, Roach, Williams, Stanley and Laidlaw.

TO-DAY'S GAME.

B.P.H.A. ground—5-15 p.m. St. Xavier's College "B" vs. Young Sports "B".

Hard Court Tennis

Triple Triumph For Leela Row

Tew And Mytton Regain Doubles' Title

The stands at the Hindu Gymkhana were packed to witness the final stage of the Presidency Hard Court Tennis Tournament on Sunday.

In the men's singles it was generally expected Bobb would win after his display against F. Bekkevold but many had hopes that Rasik Kumar of Wankaner would be the new champion. It was not to be.

In the first set Bobb's game was more or less defensive and he appeared to wait and force his opponent into errors, and this he did and took the set for the loss of four games. His tactics were considered to be wrong, at the phase where Rasik Kumar of Wankaner led 3-1, the surmise was wrong.

The second set was good and each player won his service game till the Prince of Wankaner established a 3 to 2 lead. Bobb levelled scores and took his own service game, (4-3). The remaining games went to Bobb.

Bobb gave a delightful exhibition of stroke play. On the other side his opponent was below Saturday's form. He did not follow up his drives often enough, but the explanation is that Bobb's passing shots were admirable.

The match was played in a delightfully sporting spirit. Some players fail to maintain their reputation as losers, it was not so with Rasik Kumar of Wankaner. He and Bobb would have been equally phased had the result been the reverse.

Tew and Mytton regained the Black and White Cup which J. M. Mehta and R. F. Vakharia took away from them last year. They had a game fair as opponents on Sunday in Samukawa and Take. The Japanese, however, found Tew's powerful service and inexorable returns a proposition. The losers tried lobs, alternating drives, placements but all in vain. Tew and Mytton, the latter sometimes erratic, returned everything. Tew and Mytton won the first set 6-2.

Instead of a run-away second set the Japanese pair took a 3-0 lead. But, it was felt that Tew and Mytton were taking it easy and it seemed so. They got square. However, Samuka and Take again worked into the lead 5-3. Square again, and then Tew and Mytton were on top and kept there till the set match, and title were won.

Mrs. Row and Miss Leela Row emulated their triumph of 1935, when mother and daughter won the women's doubles' titles. On Sunday they treated the opposition with scant respect and beat Mrs. Maine and Miss L. Merchant 6-2, 6-0. One would like to see Mrs. Row in the singles competition She may not be the player she was in 1927, when she annexed the single's title, but critics feel sure she could still give some of the younger generation plenty of sound opposition.

Further laurels came to Miss Leela Row, when partnered by Bobb, the mixed doubles' title was annexed.

The defeated pair being Miss P. de Lima and G. L. Mytton.

In the first set the losers led 3-1 and again at 4-2. Bobb and Miss Row then made it 4-4 and went ahead. Mytton took his service (5-5). Bobb and Miss Row gave nothing away after this and won the set.

The second phase was a run-away affair Bobb and Miss Row took four games straight off the reel. They then lost two but immediately made amends and won, 6-2.

At the conclusion Mr. M. D. Bhatt, Municipal Commissioner, congratulated the Tournament Committee for the great work they were doing for the promotion of good tennis. Mrs. Bhatt then presented the Trophies.

Results:—

MEN'S SINGLES (FINAL):—E. V. Bobb beat Rasik Kumar of Wankaner, 6-4, 6-3.

MEN'S DOUBLES (FINAL): J. E. Tew and G. L. Mytton beat E. Samukawa and M. Take, 6-2, 7-5.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES (FINAL): Miss Leela Row and Mrs. K. Row beat Miss L. M. Merchant and Mrs. Maine, 6-2, 6-0.

MIXED DOUBLES (FINAL): Miss Leela Row and E V. Bobb beat Miss P de Lima and G. L. Mytton, 7-5, 6-2.

C. P. QUADRANGULAR

Muslims' Gallant Fight For Runs

(From Our Correspondent.)

NAGPUR, Jan. 28.

Hindus (1st Innings)	143
Muslims (1st Innings)	118
Hindus (2nd Innings)	373
Muslims (2nd Innings)	298

The Hindus with 110 runs to spare beat the Muslims in the final match of the C.P. and Berar Quadrangular. When the Hindus on Sunday morning closed their second innings after scoring 373, the Muslims were asked to score 399 to win. Disaster, however, awaited the Muslims and the class attack of the Hindus proved destructive and they lost their opening pair in Major C. K. Nayudu's first over. Further trouble awaited the side that had to make 399, when the third and fourth wicket fell at 13 and 20. The fifth partnership stopped the procession and put on 72. Mushtaque Ali was the man out, when this association ended. He collected a faultless 50, taking 65 minutes to score it. Mushtaque's cover drives and delightful pulling were the features of his effort.

At lunch Yusuf Nanjani and Lateef had peaked 93, the former was with 17 and Lateef boasted a single.

A gallant effort was staged by the Muslims after the break and they fought valiantly for runs. Yusuf Nanjani and Lateef carried the score to 177, when the latter left with 30. Fifty four and 53 were the meritorious gifts of the seventh and eighth pairs. Yusuf Nanjani was the top scorer of his side, he travelled to two beyond the century. Nanjani was particularly brilliant on the leg side. He played, as was wanted, a patient innings, never being ruffled, only punishable balls being dealt with harshly. C. K. Nayudu bowled 30 overs of which 5 were maidens. He took 6 wickets conceding 81 runs. C. S. Nayudu disposed of 4 batsmen at a cost of 112.

AUSTRALIAN TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Bromwich Eliminated By Jack Crawford

SYDNEY, Jan. 27.

In the Australian Lawn Tennis Championships semi-finals, Jack Crawford beat John Bromwich (holder), six/four, six/one, nine/seven.

Adrian Quist beat Vivian McGrath six/four, ten/eight, six/three.

In the Women's Singles semi-finals, Miss Thelma Coyne beat Mrs. Hopman, six/four, two/six, six/three. Miss Nancy Wynne beat Miss Joan Hartigan, six/nil, three/six, six/one.

In the finals of the Men's Doubles, Bromwich and Quist beat Crawford and McGrath, six/three, seven/five, six/one.

In the Women's Doubles (finals), Miss Wynne and Miss Coyne beat Miss Hartigan and Miss Niemeyer, seven/five, six/one.—Reuter.

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His motto is that the man who does something to raise the standard of physique of the people in any country, has done his bit to raise all other standards as well of the Nation.

He is a firm believer in the curative value of physical exercise and intends proving this from February, at the Modern Health Home, Matunga.

THE SIND PENTANGULAR

KARACHI, Jan. 28.

The dates fixed for the Sind Pentangular are as follows:

First match: June 1—2.

Semi-finals: June 8—9, and June 15—16.

Final match: June 22, 23, 29 and 30.

New Nominee To Council Of State

NEW DELHI, Jan. 27.

It is understood that Mr. H. Dow, Director-General of Supply, has been nominated a member of the Council of State in the vacancy caused by Kunwar Haji Ismail Ali Khan, who has been nominated to the Assembly.—A. P.

In Kolhapur

(From Our Correspondent)

KOLHAPUR, Jan. 26.

Owing to ordinance Raj in Kolhapur citizens observed the Independence Day in silence, fasting and praying. Schools and Colleges were deserted. Several young men were selling khadi from house to house.

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Jawahar's Call To Women's Conference

(From Our Correspondent)

ALLAHABAD, Jan. 27.

The All-India Women's Conference opened in gala settings in the Senate Hall. A large number of distinguished ladies from all parts of India were present. A number of male visitors also attended the conference. Indeed, after the speeches of the President and the Chairwoman of the Reception Committee, it is men who dominated the proceedings of the conference.

Somewhat unexpected but a stimulating controversy arose whether the proceedings of the conference should be conducted in English or Hindustani. Both the President of the Conference Begum Hamid Ali and the Chairwoman of the Reception Committee Mrs. Vijayalaxmi Pandit while expressing their love of Hindustani delivered their addresses in English by way of concession to several delegates who did not know Hindustani.

TANDON SPRINGS SENSATION

Mr. Purushottamdas Tandon the Speaker of the Assembly who was the first guest to address the Conference sprang a sensation by severely criticising the practice of carrying on proceedings of the conference in English.

Sjt. Tandon drew a loud applause when he said, the women of India could not serve their humbler and poorer sisters through the medium of English. "You will have to speak in the language of the poor" said Sjt. Tandon, "If you desire to identify yourselves with the masses".

Sjt. Tandon said Gandhiji was the greatest servant of India and the secret of his great services was he completely identified himself with the masses of India. Sjt. Tandon pointed out, how Congress power and influence had increased by the Congress carrying on its proceedings in Hindustani. Even now, there was some trace of "Englishism" in the Congress.

EXPLAINS IN ENGLISH

At this stage, the President of the Conference drew Sjt. Tandon's attention to the fact that several ladies were not understanding his speech whereupon Sjt. Tandon began to explain himself in English which evoked general laughter. After explaining why he spoke in Hindustani, Sjt. Tandon reverted speaking in Hindustani and exhorted the women to get rid of superstitious and objectionable customs prevalent among women.

Jawahar And Politics

Jawaharlal Nehru who followed Sjt. Tandon referred to Sjt. Tandon's views on Hindustani but refused to accept his advice as he had been pressed to speak in English. While Sjt. Tandon set the ball rolling on Hindustani Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru took the Conference to task roundly for views expressed in certain conference circles that the Conference was not a political body. Pt. Nehru said, they were living in times of nightmares. If they desired to get rid of these nightmares, it was their natural desire. What exactly was their objective, he asked. He did not know how women could cut themselves up in the watertight compartments. All branches of human activities were interrelated. I myself find I cannot cut myself up into compartments. What is the good of your telling me "you are not a political body".

Pt. Nehru proceeding said, what was it, if not politics, for them to demand changes in certain laws. Was it their position that women agreed with everybody and disagreed with none? (Laughter). He thought, all vital problems would be interlinked. They must face these problems and fight them out.

GET RID OF SUPERSTITION

Pt. Nehru referring to the view that there was still superstition rampant among women, said there was more superstition among men with regard to women (cheers). When men told women to "serve" he suspected their words. "I would smash this chain of slavery" (loud cheers.) If the conference had vision, it would decide rightly on the burning problems of the day. He even preferred "licence" to the present slavery of women. Those who were used to domination considered freedom was a licence. Pt. Nehru pointed out, how Congress had to face tremendous opposition. To-day, we could not go back on the past traditions. Pt. Nehru said, humanity was sick and they must put up a good fight and win their way.

Pt. Nehru praised the work of Women's Sub-Committee of the National Planning Committee.

OPEN SESSION OF CONFERENCE

ALLAHABAD, Jan. 27

The open session of the all-India Women's Conference started here in the Senate Hall of the Allahabad University this evening under the presidency of Begum Hamid Ali.

Rani Laxmibai Rajwade, the outgoing president formally proposed Begum Hamid Ali to the Chair.

Mrs. Vijayalaxmi Pandit Chairwoman of the Reception Committee then read out her Address of Welcome.

The General Secretary Mrs. S. N. Ray then presented the annual report.

Begum Hamid Ali then delivered her Presidential Address.

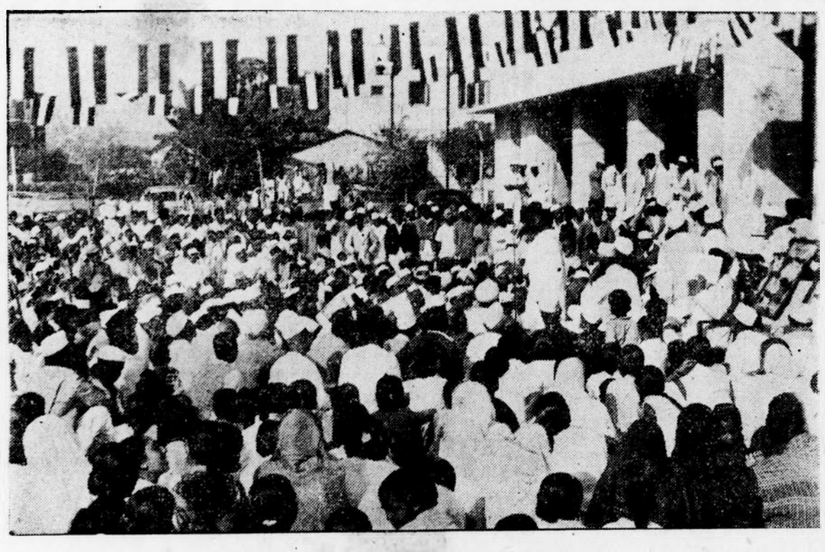
Lady Rama Rao and Miss Marjorie Sykes attended the session by special invitation.

The Hon. Mr. Purshottamdas Tandon, Sir Syed Wazir Hasan, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Khan Bahadur Mr. Abu Muhammad, Pandit Amarnath Jha and Mrs. Naidu addressed the Conference on special request.

MESSAGES OF GOOD WISHES

The conference has received messages of good wishes from among others Mahatma Gandhi, Kasturba Gandhi, Rabindranath Tagore, Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant, Dr. Syed Mahmud, the Maharani of Travancore, Mr. B. G. Kher, Sir C. Y. Chintamani, Begum Shah Nawaz, Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru, and Mrs. Subbaroyan.

Earlier in the afternoon Rani Laxmibai Rajwade opened an exhibition of Women's handicraft. —A. P.



Syt. Shankarrao Deo addressing the gathering on the occasion of the opening ceremony of the new Congress House of the Maharashtra Provincial Congress Committee at Poona.

MESSAGES TO WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Mahatma Gandhi has sent the following message to the All-India Women's Conference held here today:

"I have already pointed out the royal road to Swaraj to my sisters where they can go ahead of their brothers. By traversing this road they can achieve fulfilment."

From Rajen Babu

Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Congress President, writes:—

"We all feel how great is the part women can and do play in the affairs of the world, and we naturally wish and hope that our sisters who, too largely on account of the fault of man, have so far kept apart from public activities, will have their full share of toil and glory. During the last twenty years or so we have seen remarkable awakening among them and in our struggle for independence they have had an honourable part. May this awakening deepen and may their contribution be even greater than it has been in the past, is the wish and prayer of one who has always felt that where women are respected there alone God is."

From Dr. Tagore

Poet Rabindranath Tagore writes:—

"I send with pleasure good wishes to the All-India Women's Conference. May your meeting record the progress and inspire effort for that well-being of womanhood on which true prosperity of our country so largely depends."

From Dr. B. C. Roy

Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy, member of the Congress Working Committee, in his message wishes the Conference all success in solving the problem of women's sphere in the national reorganisation.

From B. G. Kher

Mr. B. G. Kher, former Prime Minister of Bombay, says:

"I hope the Conference will lead Indian women on the path of country's service and freedom."

MESSAGES FROM ABROAD

Messages of goodwill have been received by the Conference, from Mrs. Grace Lancaster, Liaison Officer, Great Britain, the Pan-Pacific Women's Association, Miss P. M. Hage of the International Labour Office of the League of Nations, Geneva, Mrs. M. E. Cousins and others.

Mrs. Cousins says: "The greatest effort of our women during coming years must be to unite all communities by cultivation of friendship with them in their home circles."

Princess Durru Sherar sent the following message: "Please convey my sincere good wishes for the success of the Conference. I pray for the progress, enlightenment and welfare of the women of India, and my confidence in their effort and achievement to attain united good of peace and happiness remains unshaken."—United Press.

NO SEPARATE SCHOOLS FOR HINDU AND MUSLIM GIRLS

A. I. Women Students' Conference Resolutions

LUCKNOW, Jan. 23.

That woman students stood for the economic and social welfare of the millions of their sisters suffering under the yoke of social maladjustment and inequality, is the subject matter of several resolutions passed at the open Session of the All-India Women Students' Conference held at Baradari.

The Conference recorded its protest against the practice of establishing the separate educational institutes for Muslim and Hindu girls, as this gave rise to communal ill-feelings among students. A demand that the Government and Universities should stop this practice altogether and organise educational institutions for girls on a non-communal basis, was also put forward.

It was resolved that in this transitory stage the women students should work for the establishment of Co-Education in all different stages of education. It was further resolved that all educational institutions and courses, for example, Engineering and agriculture should be thrown open to women.

The Conference viewed with horror the wastage in the present system of primary education and the prevalence of illiteracy among women and demanded the immediate introduction of free and compulsory primary education for girls between the ages of 6 and 12.

The Conference also decided to start widespread campaign for the removal of (a) Dowry system, (b) seclusion of women, (c) early marriage and other social restrictions which hamper the free and healthy development of the Indian nation.—United Press.

Climb-Down

Only Choice For Britain

Kidwai Explains Optimism In Congress High Command Circles

LUCKNOW, Jan. 28.

"The right of the Indian people should be recognised and the choice must be theirs in framing their own constitution. Whether it be of Australian type or Canadian type that does not matter."

Thus said Mr. Rafi Ahmed Kidwai, ex-Revenue Minister of the Government of the United Provinces, when questioned by the "United Press" representative on the subdued feeling of optimism lurking in the mind of the Congress High Command with regard to an honourable settlement with British Imperialism.

Mr. Kidwai added: "Gandhiji wants to avoid the fight, but the British Government cannot afford to fight. So, in the case of a compromise they will have to climb-down and accept the Congress demands."—United Press.

IMMEDIATE FREEDOM FOR INDIA

PATNA, Jan. 28.

Babu Rajendra Prasad, Congress President, has received the following cable from Mr. Mubarak Ali Khan, President of the India Welfare League, New York:—

"Resolved at a public meeting that we join the Independence Day celebrations for winning immediate freedom for India."—United Press.

CONGRESS PARTY MOTIONS DISALLOWED

Hindu Party Joins Opposition In Sind Assembly

KARACHI, Jan. 27.

Eight out of nine adjournment motions tabled by Congress members in the morning sitting of the Sind Legislative Assembly were ruled out by the Speaker on the ground that the subject-matter of each motion was either not of recent occurrence or it was yet under consideration by the Provincial Government, and the ninth motion was withdrawn.

The motions related to the Manzilgah, Sukkur riots, murder of a Hindu priest by name Bhagat Kunwar Ram, rise in the prices of foodstuffs, famine in Thar, etc. The last motion which was withdrawn was in connection with the censorship on the Sind press in respect of the news of and comments on the Sukkur riots.

Members of the Hindu Independent Party occupied the Opposition benches, the party having seceded from the present Ministry.—United Press.

Belgaum Delegates To Congress

(From Our Correspondent)

BELGAUM, Jan. 28.

Sjt. Gangadharrao Deshpande, Anna Saheb Latthe and M. P. Patil have been elected unopposed as delegates to the Congress.

GANDHIJI SCORES EVEN IN BRITAIN

Floodlight On Imperialist Press "Black-Out"

(From Our Correspondent.)

LONDON, Jan. 27.

A few weeks ago we learnt that Sir Stafford Cripps in a press conference in India commended to the correspondents of British newspapers in India to try and send more Indian news to London in order to familiarise British public with Indian problems. How far this advice is being taken to heart by these correspondents can be ascertained by the fact that except to-day's "News Chronicle", no British newspapers published any report of the observance of the Independence Day in India yesterday, although the B. B. C. announced in yesterday's midnight bulletin that the Day was duly observed all over India without any incident.

As I am on this subject, I may draw attention to another piece of journalistic work in British papers. Although supplied yesterday by a local news agency with the report of a debate held at the Northwood—(Middlesex)—Literary Society, only one paper considered the story useful for publication.

The Society debated the following problem.

"If Gracie Fields, Bernard Shaw and Mahatma Gandhi were marooned on a desert island and only one could be saved, who should it be?"

After discussion the Society chose Mahatma Gandhi with Gracie Fields second and Shaw third.

Incidentally, the other day several British newspapers carried the story that certain Indian legislator tabled a resolution that the game of bridge should be declared illegal in India.

LIFE SENTENCE FOR 'COMMUNIST'

"Conspiracy Against Govt."

CAWNPORE, January 27.

Mr. D. C. Hunter District and Sessions Judge, Cawnpore has convicted and sentenced one Jan Mohammad (55) said to be a communist to transportation for life under Section 121 I.P.C. for conspiracy against the Government.

The accused had been charged with delivering a speech on September 3 last urging the workers to prepare for armed rebellion against Government.—A. P.

INDIAN COMMISSIONED OFFICERS' TRAINING

NEW DELHI, Jan. 26.

India Army Orders announce that during the present emergency, the post-graduate training to be undergone by Indian Commissioned Officers, who have passed through the Indian Military Academy in the normal manner and not as officer cadets will be as follows:—

Cavalry and Infantry:—One year's attachment to the active unit to which they will eventually be posted.

Indian Regiment of Artillery:—One year's attachment to a British field regiment which will include a course at the School of Artillery.

Corps of Indian Engineers:—Attachment from five to six months as may be required at headquarters of Sappers and Miners for special instructions.

Indian Signal Corps:—Attachment from eight to ten months as may be required to the signal training centre which will include a nine weeks course at the Army Signal School followed by a four months' attachment to a non-Indianised signal unit.—A. P.

Edgar Wallace Detective Story Day By Day

INSPECTOR WADE

THE JUG OF DEATH

WADE CALLS AT THE HOSPITAL UNAWARE THAT CANELLI'S MEN ARE WITH THE PATIENTS AT THAT VERY MOMENT
6-12
WE STOPPED IN. THOUGHT WE MIGHT GRAB A LOOK AT YOUR PATIENTS
THEY'RE PROBABLY ASLEEP NOW, INSPECTOR! IT'S VERY QUIET!
SHE'S MOST LIKELY RIGHT. STILL, THERE'S NO HARM IN CHECKING UP./
LOOK, JIM! TH' GUARDS ARE GONE!
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IF CANELLI'S GOTTEN TO 'EM, IT'S THE FINISH! .... COVER DRAYTON'S ROOM, DON! I'M GOIN' IN TO HIS DAUGHTER'S!
RIGHT!
SAY YER PRAYERS, SISTER!

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